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After traveling to the Lake Continent in search of the Rave of Combat, Haru finds something to make up for his father! Haru learns that a man named "Cale" is behind the recent attacks on Rubarrow City, home of the Rave of Combat. Against his friends' wishes, Haru sets out alone for the Tower of Dis to find out if his dad could really be the one behind the attacks. It turns out that the "Cale" in question isn't his father-it's Cale Revegrove, also known as King, the Demon Card leader! His father, Cale Glory, came here to stop King. Haru and his father race into the tower to stop the Demon Card leader before he can complete the Evolution, a process for creating the most destructive Dark Bring ever!

HARU CLORY: The Rave Master. Haru is the heir to Rave, the only one capable of wielding it and destroying Dark Bring. Impulsive and headstrong, he's not afraid to put himself in danger to do what is right. His father disappeared in search of Rave when he was very young.

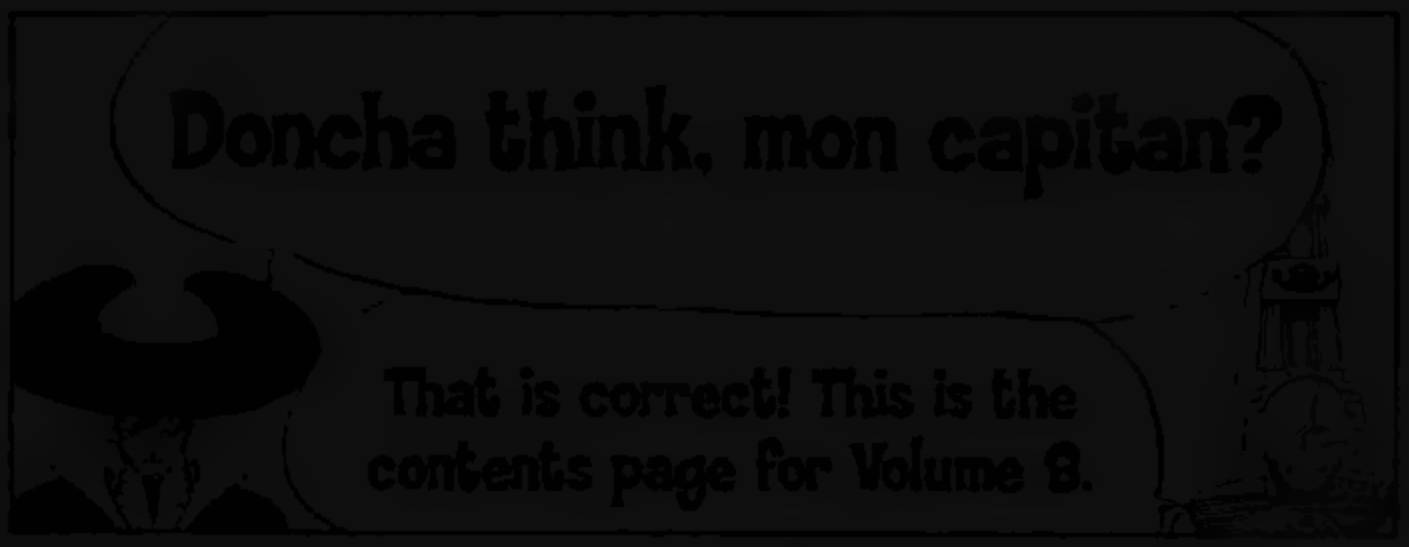
ELIE: A Girl with no past. Elie travels the world in search of the key to her forgotten memories. Outwardly cheerful, she hides a great sadness from her past. She's hot-headed, so when she pulls out her explosive Tonfa Blasters, bad guys watch out!

MUSICA: Leader of the Silver Knights Gang. An orphan whose family was slaughtered when he was a baby, Musica became a street-fighting petty thief, but he has a good heart.

PLUE: The Rave Beaver. Plue is supposed to be Haru's guide in finding the Rave Stones, but so far he's just gotten him in and out of trouble. No one knows exactly what Plue is, but he seems to have healing abilities and is smarter than your average...whatever he is.

CRIFF: Don't even ask what this thing is. His full name is Griffon Kato, but he just goes by Griff. He works as a cart driver and is hired to transport Haru and friends across the Continent of Song. His body can stretch like rubber and he's got a crush on Elie.

CALE CLORY: Haru's father. He left home in search of the Rave Fifteen years ago and hasn't seen his family since. Cale Glory and Cale Revegrove (aka King) seem to have known each other for a long time, but how?!



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A STORM OF DESTRUCTION SHALL RAIN DOWN UPON THE ALTAR OF DEATH AND BIRTH...
AND THUS THE SOUL OF THE KING SHALL RETURN IN THE BODY OF ANOTHER...
-SAGAH PENDRAGON
AUTHOR

RAVE:57
A PAIR OF KINGS

HURRY UP HARU WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME! WE HAVE TO STOP THE DUCLAW!
HARU WATCH OUT!
YOU'RE GONNA PAY KING

WAH!!
!!
TRAP
KEEP
WANTED
QUEST
WH
WHAT
THE
HARU!!
LOOK THERE!!
FOLLOW ME
UP, SON!!

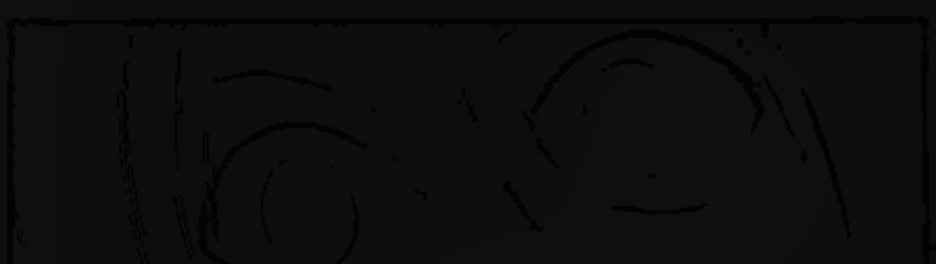
DAD!!!
HARUUUUU!!

A WALL HASN'T BEEN BUILT THAT COULD KEEP ME FROM MY SON

DAD.

WELL
IT'S
BEEN IF
YEARS

I CAN
TAKE
CARE OF
MYSELF
SO OH
I THOUGHT
YE



I'M NOT
GOING TO
WALK
AWAY
FROM
MY SON
AGAIN!
IT'S
JUST NOT
GOING TO
HAPPEN

IF YOU THINK
I'M GOING TO JUST
SAY GOODBYE AND
CONTINUE ON WITHOUT
YOU YOU'RE CRAZY

DAD
SO I CAN GET OUT OF HERE ON MY OWN PROMISE!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS.
DAD I... BE FINE? THIS ISN'T GOODBYE, I... CATCH UP TO YOU IN NO TIME
JUST GO HURRY! THERE'S NO TIME!
HARD.

YOU HAVE TO KINGS TOO TOUGH TO TACKLE ALONE. M[illegible] NEED YOU IN HERE

PROMISE ME YOU'LL MAKE IT OUT OF HERE ALIVE!!
WE'RE A TEAM NOW AND I CAN'T DO THIS ALONE

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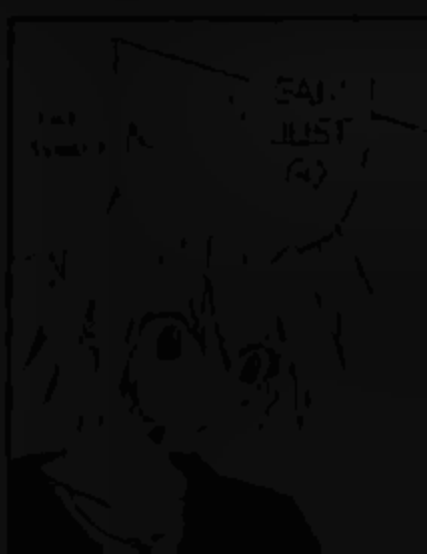

SAI, JUST GO

THERE'S GOTTA BE A SWITCH OR CONTROLLER SOMEWHERE
HMMM THERE MAY TO BE AN EXIT
WAAAAAAAAH!
AW SNAP WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME AND WHO KNOWS HOW FAR I FELL
I DON'T KNOW IT'S THE SILVERY HAIR THE DISTINCT JAWLINE OR WHAT BUT MAN DO YOU LOOK LIKE GALE

HAIL GLORY THE SECOND RAVE MASTER

HEH NICE OUTFITS

WE ARE THE FIVE PALACE GUARDIANS KNIGHTS OF THE UNDERWORLD CHOSEN TO PROTECT KING
LTIANGLE

IS YOU THAT S-I THE WAY SILENT BOY
EL REY HAS SPOKEN IT IS HIS WILL TO KILL GALE GLORY WITH HIS OWN HANDS
PALACE GUARDIAN
RACAS

WRONG- YOU WILL NEVER GET OUT OF HERE
OKAY FINE SO I HAVE TO DEAL WITH YOU FREAKS BEFORE I CAN GET OUT OF HERE
AIN'T THAT RIGHT MON CAPITAN?

OOK DON'T MAKE ME TH FOOL HOLD HER
WHAT A COUPLE OF TOOLS

MAIC
LET'S GET ON WITH IT, YOU NUT JOBS

EXPLOSION!!!

I'LL HAVE AT SOME NERVE EXPLODING MY OWNCE LIKE THAT AGAIN
WHA
!!
WHY NOW I CAN DOUBLE BACK!
!!

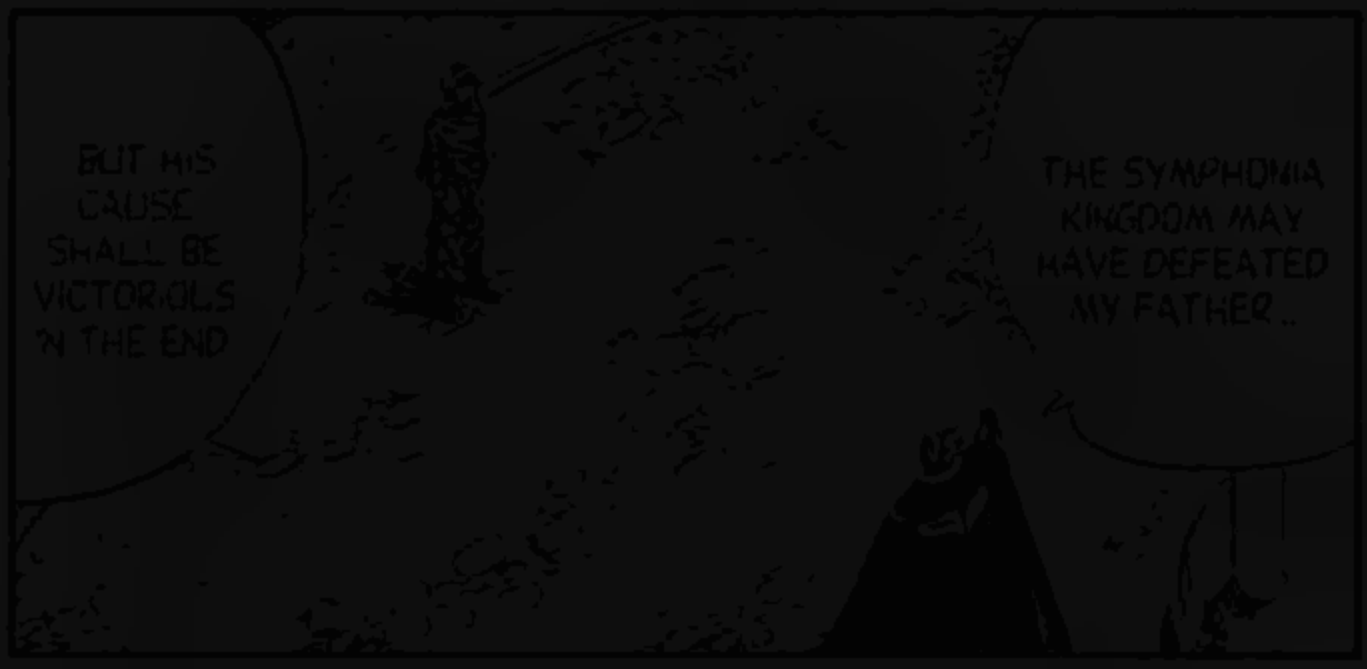
AIN'T THAT RIGHT MON CAPITAN
AND THEN IMMEDIATELY TURN IT BACK ON THE ATTACKER ONLY AT TWICE THE POWER
HE CAN MEMORIZE ANY MOVE THAT'S BEEN USED ON HIM
PALACE GUARDIAN
RIONETTE

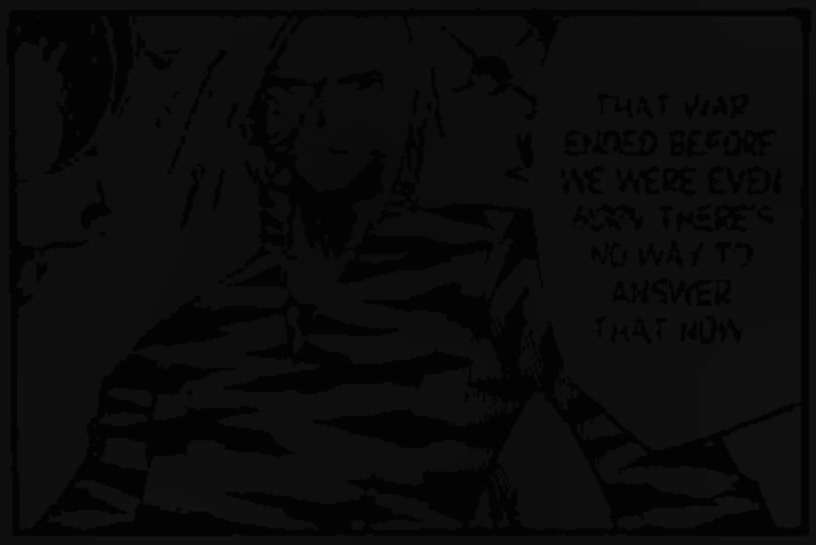
YOU MIGHT AS WELL GIVE UP NOW
FOOL! THAT CHILD WAS NOT MY SHADOW
DON'T MAKE ME WAIT ANY LONGER!! LET ME KILL!! KILL!!
SHALL I KILL THE HUMAN I'VE BEEN PATIENT LONG ENOUGH!!
PALACE GUARDIAN
RON GLACE
SLAM
!!

WHOA
!!
!!
PALACE GUARDIAN
LET
THIS ISN'T A FAIR FIGHT HE IS OUTNUMBERED . IT'S NOT HONORABLE

SOUL EATER
SO YOUNG MAN LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'VE GOT JUST YOU AND ME
SORRY DAD THIS MIGHT TAKE A WHILE
ALL RIGHT DAVE MASTER I NEED TO MY NAME IS
I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU GALE GLORY
Tower of Death Top Floor

GALE SYMPHONIA GLORY VI RIGHTFUL HEIR TO THE THRONE OF THE SYMPHONIA EMPIRE
BUT I'LL SHOW THEM THE ANSWER NOW THEY'LL SEE WHICH OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES WAS RIGHT IN THAT WAR
...BUT HE LOST THE WAR!!
DEFEATED BY YOUR PEOPLE!!
AM THE RIGHTFUL HEIR TO THE THRONE OF THE PASSEROOVE DARK BRING EMPIRE


BUT HIS CAUSE SHALL BE VICTORIOUS IN THE END
THE SYMPHONIA KINGDOM MAY HAVE DEFEATED MY FATHER..


THAT WAR ENDED BEFORE WE WERE EVEN BORN THERE'S NO WAY TO ANSWER THAT NOW

AT LONG LAST THE QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED ALL ON ME TO PRESENT
YES THIS YEAR'S ENCLAVE IS SOMETHING VERY SPECIAL

THE FINAL MOMENT OF THE EN__AVE

END OF EARTH IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.

THAT DARK BRING COULDN'T BE.

...THE ULTIMATE DARK BRING, END OF EARTH!

RAVE:58 FINAL COUNTDOWN?!

OAP

EN GARDE!!

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U
UGH!
ACK

GAAAH!!
北斗の
HE'S
OLDER
THAN
I'M
WOW
OW
OW
OUCH
BUT LET'S
SEE IF HE
HAVE ANYTHING
ELSE COMING
FOR YOU OTHER
THAN
WE
YOU'RE
QUITE A BIT
TOUGHER
THAN
YOU
HAVE
MASTER
ホホホ

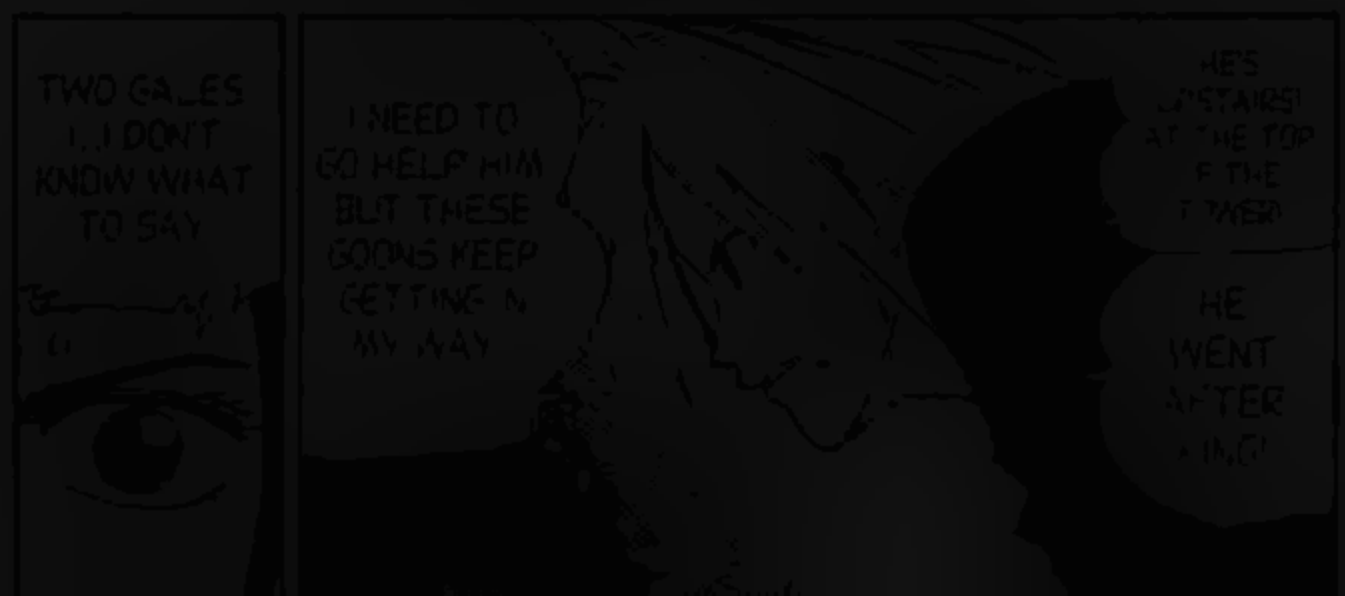
NO FAIR!
NO FAIR!
YOU AGAIN
NUAAAAAAAH!!
YOU SHALL STAY OUT OF THIS!! YOU'LL GET YOUR TURN!!
ME! I... NO MORE WAITING!
AI YAI YAI I AIN'T BELIEVES IT'S TOYAK AI AI AI
NO WAY!!
SHUT UP!!

NEEDLE BURST!!!
SHUT UP!!
SHUT UP!!
ALL RIGHT FINE. LET'S GO HOME. LET'S THROW DOWN.
KILL HUMANS! MY JOB!!!

I CANNOT MOVE UNLESS FULL MOON STRIKES
!!
DUNETTE LEAVE HIM BE
DIE!!

MAN I CAN'T LEAVE YOU ALONE FOR EVEN A SECOND CAN I?
YOU HAD US WORRIED SICK, YOU BIG JERK!

UH DON'T THINK SO JUST MY DAD'S NOT HERE EVEN LIKE I COULD BE BEATEN TO THESE MEGOOS?
LM, GUYS MAYBE A LITTLE HELP?
MY DAD IS A DIFFERENT GALE
WHAT?!
TH-THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE! WHERE IS YOUR FATHER RIGHT NOW!
WAIT SO IT WAS A BIG MISUNDERSTANDING? THERE ARE TWO GALES!


TWO GALES I... I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY
I NEED TO GO HELP HIM BUT THESE GOONS KEEP GETTING IN MY WAY
HE'S UPSTAIRS AT THE TOP F THE TOWER
HE WENT AFTER HIM!

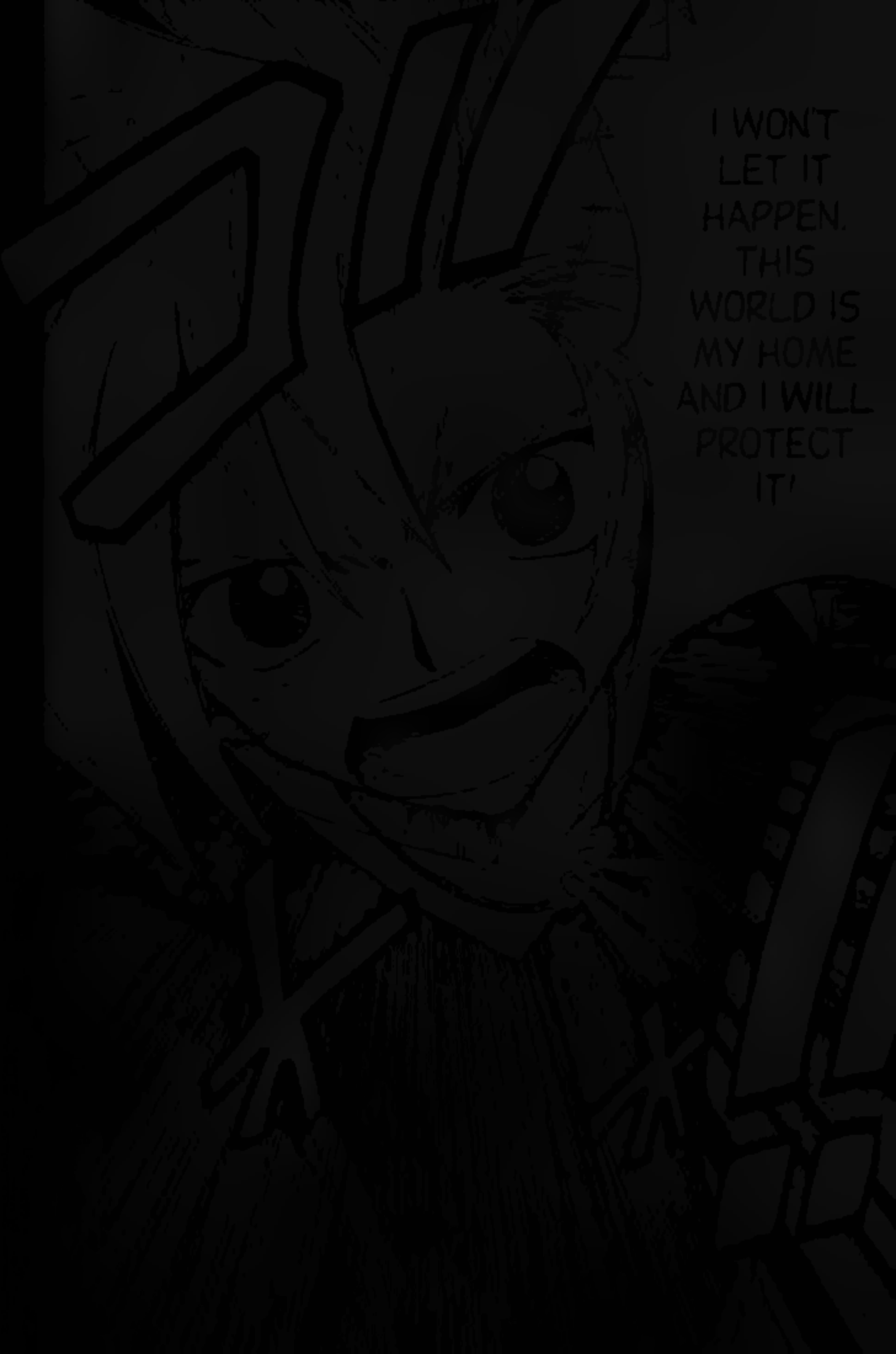
?
AND EVEN IF I DID MANAGE TO MAKE IT PAST US IT WOULD BE TOO LATE ANYWAY
GAVE IT UP YOU DON'T STAND A CHANCE
THE ENCLAIN WILL BE OVER
WHEN THE SAND IN THIS HOURGLASS RUNS OUT

THE ULTIMATE DARK BRING WILL BE BORN END OF EARTH!

SO THIS IS REALLY IT "WHEN TWO WINDS CONVERGE"!
THAT VERSE 41 THE REVELATION. "WHEN TWO WINDS CONVERGE" IT'S NOT TALKING ABOUT HARL AND GALE IT'S KING AND HARU'S FATHER.
NO!!

...THE OVERDRIVE.
AND "A STORM OF DESTRUCTION" IT'S A LONG SHOT BUT IT MAY BE

WE'VE GOTTA STOP THE ENCLAIM BEFORE THAT HOURGLASS EXPIRES!!
YOU'RE TOO LATE NO ONE CAN STOP THE ENCLAIM NOW END OF EARTH WILL BE FINISHED AND THEN OVERDRIVE WILL DESTROY YOU ALL


I WON'T LET IT HAPPEN. THIS WORLD IS MY HOME AND I WILL PROTECT IT!

LET'S TAKE THIS TO THE PALACE OF SOULS!
YOU SEEM SO EAGER BUT YOUR ENTHUSIASM WILL ONLY BRING ABOUT YOUR DEATHS

!!
WHA-?!

I'M SO SICK OF THIS PLACE IT WON'T WANT TO BE BEFORE YOU PASS IN

YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE! WHAT DO YOU DO WITH MY FRIENDS?

!!
GARAGE ISLAND?! HOW IN THE--?

A SIMPLE PLAN BUT IT WON'T WORK. YOU DON'T KNOW MY FRIENDS
DIVIDE AND CONQUER..

FORTY FIVE MINUTES TO DEFEAT ME ESCAPE OUR PALACE AND FIND KING YOU DON'T STAND A CHANCE
SO BY MY COUNT WE HAVE 45 MINUTES LEFT UNTIL THE BIRTH OF THE DARK BRING

FEAR. I DON'T HAVE TIME TO MESS WITH THIS RIGHT NOW I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN AND FIND MY DAD

BUT I CAN'T LOOSE MY SENSE OF PURPOSE IT STOPS ME FROM DOING THE FOOLISH

THAT IS AND S WHERE MASTER PLUE AND LIED TO LIVE
PUNK
OKAY SO LAZY REN AND PLUE ARE ACCOUNTED FOR WHERE'S EVERYONE ELSE?
I KNOW I SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE NOSY BUT I DON'T PUT ME
MEMORIES FROM ALL OF THE SPIRITS HAVE ENDED TOGETHER TO FORM ONE TWISTED MEMORY
!!!
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING WHERE ARE ALL THE OTHERS?
PUN?!
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY THOUGHT WE WERE THE WEAKEST THREE!

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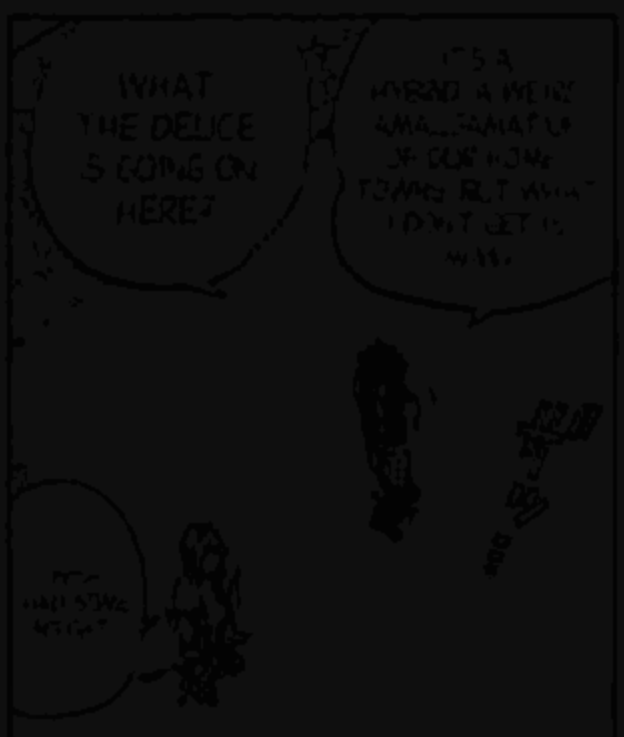
IT'S BLUES CITY! IT'S BLENDED WITH BLUES ITY
?

YA THIS CAN BE RIGHT IS FAMILIAR BUT IS NOT ALMOST LIKE ANOTHER TOWN MIXED N WIT IT
THIS THIS IS THE TOWN WHERE I GREW UP AOLA PALACE


WHAT THE DELICE IS GOING ON HERE?
IT'S A HYBRID A MELTING AMA... SAMA FUSION OF OUR HOME TOWNS BUT WHAT I DON'T GET IS WHY.
IT'S HARD STONE MATERIAL

MUSICA

RIGHT WE SHOULD FIGURE OUT THE HOUSE AND WHERE LATER
BUT WHAT WE BETTER FOCUS ON IS FINDING A WAY OUT OF HERE MAN WHO CARED ABOUT THE OTHERS
ドカーン!!
ビキ
ビキビキ...
ボコ

!!
WHA-
THIS-
SOLASIDO!!
DUCK!!

NEEDLE BURST
AGH!
NEEDLESPAWN MANIPULATE NEEDLE
YES
THE NEEDLE DAID DOWN
HARU: "OH THE RAVE MASTER WE EACH HAVE ON DIFFERENT ONE IN DIFFERENT PALACE OF SEAL
JUST TELL ME ONE THING DUDE WHERE ARE HARU AND THE OTHERS!

I'M SURE KARL AND THAT OLD SAMURAI DUDE CAN TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES BUT WHAT ABOUT LIE AND REMI
LIUDAH
GOT IT
NOW!!

KILL!!
KILL!!
MUUUAAAH!!!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS

!?
AAAH!
NEVER!!
!?

TSUMUMO-D MONSTER NOW IS THE TIME
AERIAL CROSS!
GUWAAAAAAAAAH!!

スリィー
YOUR WEAPON WILL HOLD--
スキィ
IT ALLOWS ME TO CONTROL OBJECTS FROM A DISTANCE.
TELEKINESIS IT'S ONE OF MY PSYCHIC POWERS
WE NEED TO MOVE! WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE OTHERS!
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キョロ
?
?

IT'S AS IF SOMEHOW WE GOT SEPARATED
THAT HOUR GLASS
BUT WAIT WE DON'T KNOW WHERE WE ARE MUCH LESS WHERE THEY WENT
THEY'RE LEFT BUT WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR
NONE OF REALM AGENT ANYWHERE
I THINK EVERYONE IS STILL HERE JUST IN A DIFFERENT FRAME OF SPACE
I DON'T THINK WE'VE GONE ANYWHERE
I GET IT NICE THINKING
THIS TOWN THIS "AMALGAM" AS YOU CALLED IT IT HAS TO BE LINKED TO THE OTHERS
HEY ARE YOU
A LADY REMI IS WAITING FOR US
WE HAVE TO HURRY AND FIND THE LINK REMI IS WAI-

!!
THE REAL REMI MALTESE
SHE'S NOT REALLY A RAVE GLARDIAN
SIGH

TO PEEK INTO THE CAVE WARDING ARE ALL THE MAGIC KNIGHTS OF THE BLUE SKY AND A LOT OF THOSE GUYS ARE IN BUDDIES OF ANIMALS NOW THAT'S WHAT THE GOD DEAR OLDE SAID
C'MON DUDE IT WAS ALL PRETTY OBVIOUS
BUT
I HAD TO MAKE A GUESS
THAT'S WHEN I KNEW IT ALL FOR SURE REM SNT CONTROLLING THE HOLY FORCE FIELD AND SHE DOESN'T HAVE THE RAVE
BUT THE SECRET TO DOOR WAS IF REM HAS TO PROTECT RABARRIER WITH THE HOLY FORCE FIELD AND DO YOU BELIEVE HE WERE AWAY FROM THE CITY
AND BY USING THE DEMONICS TO RABARRIER WITH THE RUMORS OF A RAVE YOU CAN HIDE THE EXISTENCE OF CLEA AND KEEP THE REAL RAVE SECRET AND SAFE
O SAY CLEA MALTESE HERSELF HAS THE RAVE OF COMBAT AND IS PROTECTING IT SOMEWHERE ELSE AND RABARRIER IS JUST A BIG BLUFF TO HIDE THE REAL LOCATION OF THE RAVE
IF SHE'S CONTROLLING IT FROM A REMOTE LOCATION IT COULD EXPLAIN THE RANDOM BREAKS IN THE FIELD THAT'S JUST WHAT I HAD TO GUESS
AND MAYBE CLEA IS KEEPING THE HOLY FORCE FIELD UP FROM A SEPARATE LOCATION TOO

AND IT'S NOT LIKE IT WAS ALL JUST RIGHT. IT'S OBVIOUS YOUR FEELINGS FOR REM ARE THE REAL DEAL. I CAN TOTALLY TELL HOW M
YEAH BUT SERIOUSLY MAN I'M NOT MAD OR ANYTHING IN FACT I'M IMPRESSED. IT TAKES
REM IS
MY LITTLE SISTER

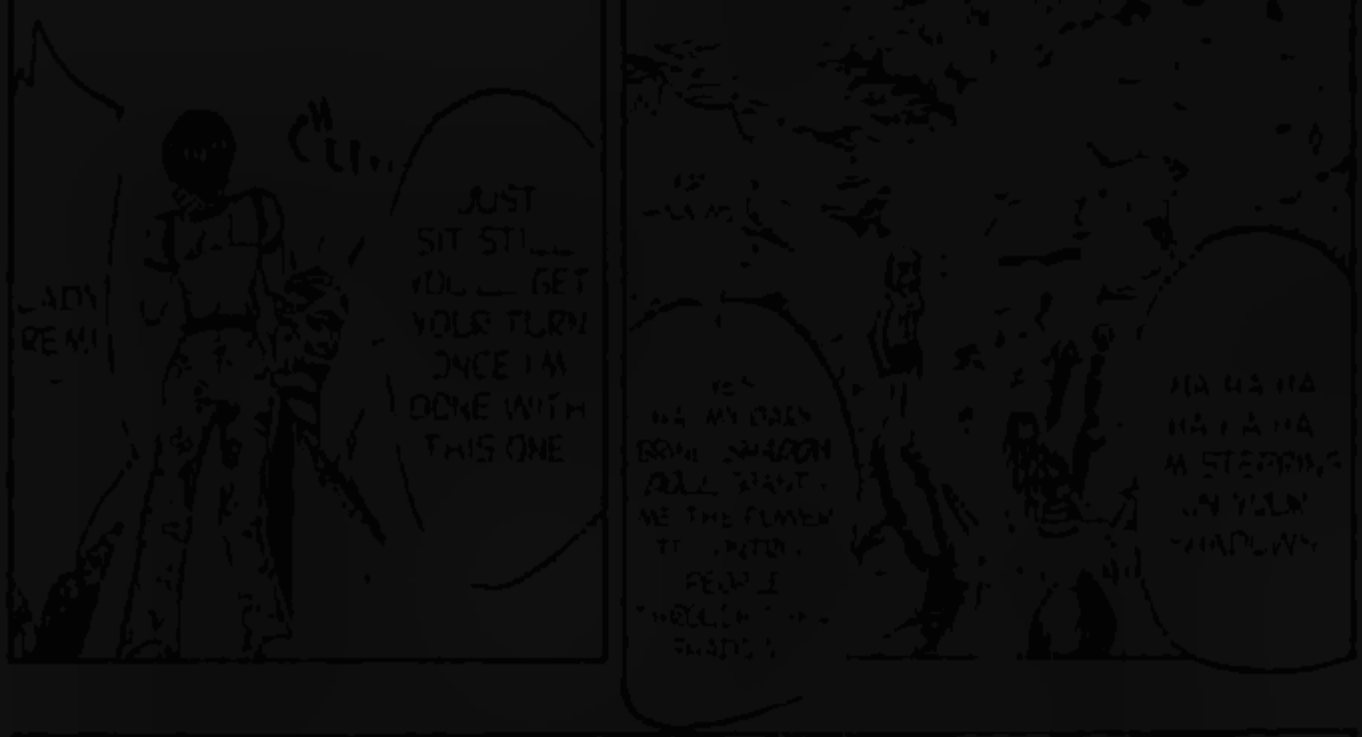
ELIE AND ELLIE ARE WITH HER TODAY

フフフ
THEY WERE. NOW THEY'RE SURELY DEAD..
!!
ヒゲ
DUDE DE YOU
GAAH
PLEASE! YOUR POSTURING MEANS NOTHING! YOU DEFEATED RON SO WHAT! HE WAS JUST TO BE DEALTED ANYWAY!
SO YOU DID THIS TO HIM TRIANGLE?

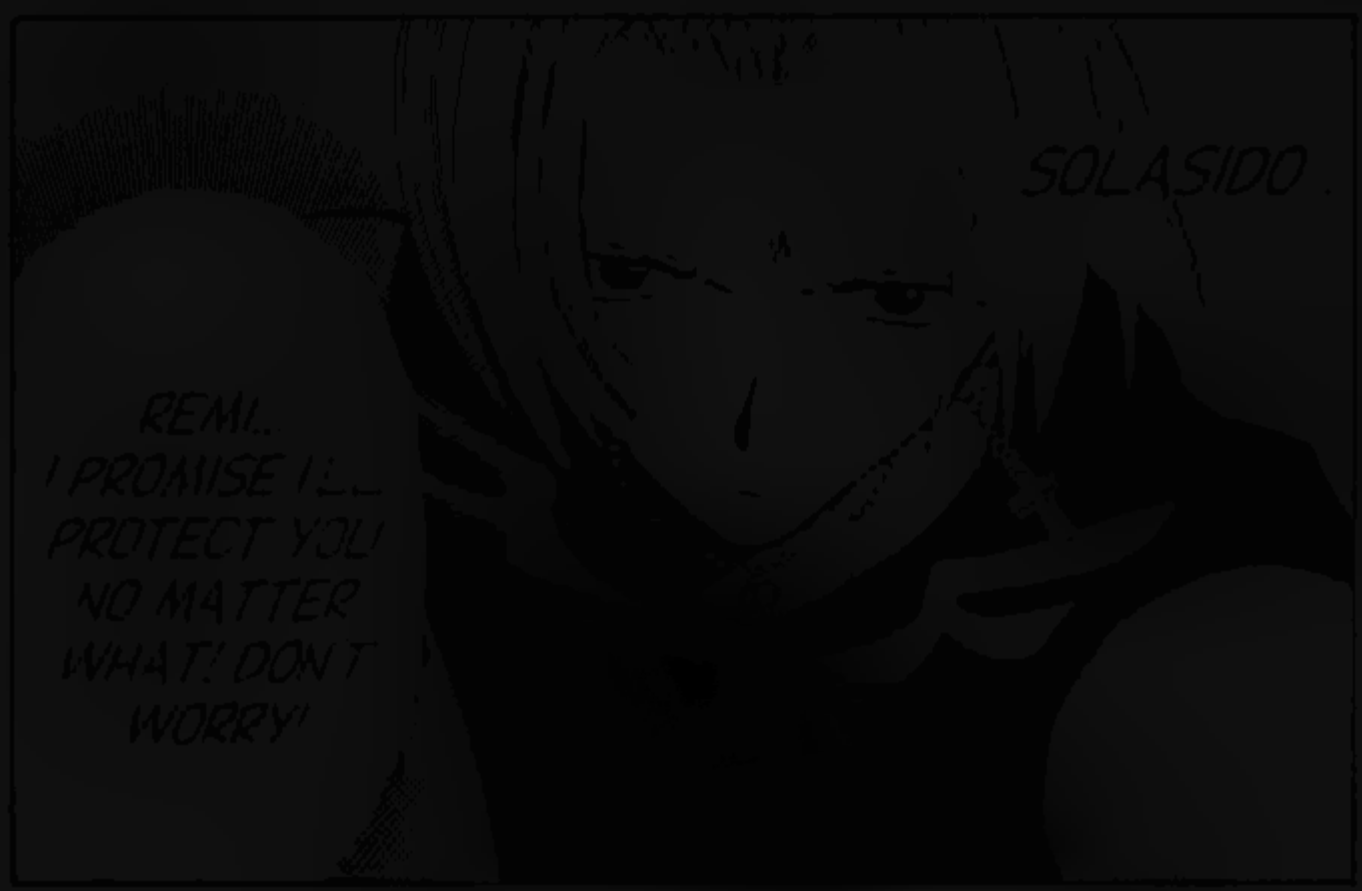
YOU ARE ABOUT TO WITNESS THE TRUE POWER OF THE PALACE GUARDIANS
NOW YOU'RE NOT UP AGAINST A MERE GRUNT
DUDE LISTEN YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN SAVE THE GIRLS I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF
!!
REMI AND ELIE NEED YOU MAN GO!
JUST HURRY!!!

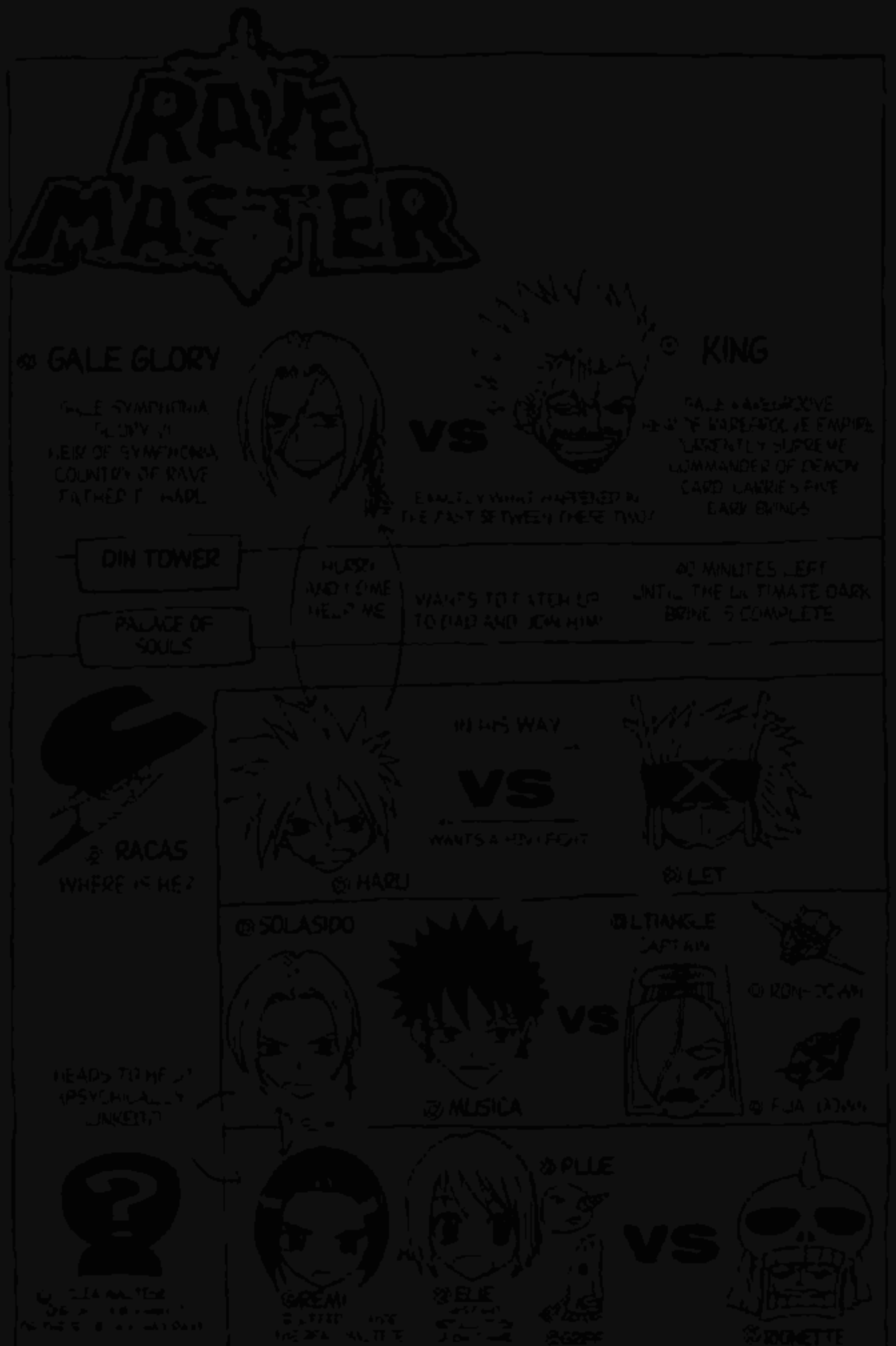
FINE BUT DON'T GET YOURSELF K.I.L.L.ED!
I'M LIKE HARLEM NOT GOIN DOWN
BLAH BLAH BLAH DO YOU EVER SHUT UP BRING IT
YOU CAN RUN AND YOU CAN HIDE BUT AS LONG AS YOU'RE IN THE PALACE OF THE SOULS AND AS LONG AS I DRAW BREATH THE OUTCOME WILL BE THE SAME. DEATH

PUPUU!!!
LADY REMI-!
WHY?! WHY CAN'T I MOVE?
YOU CAN END ALL OF THIS JUST HAND OVER THE RAVE!


LADY REMI
JUST SIT STI... YOU... GET YOUR TURN ONCE I AM DONE WITH THIS ONE
HA HA HA HA HA HA

HELP ME
HELP


SOLASIDO
REMI.. I PROMISE I... PROTECT YOU NO MATTER WHAT! DON'T WORRY!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GALE GLORY
VS
KING
DIN TOWER
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WHERE IS HE?
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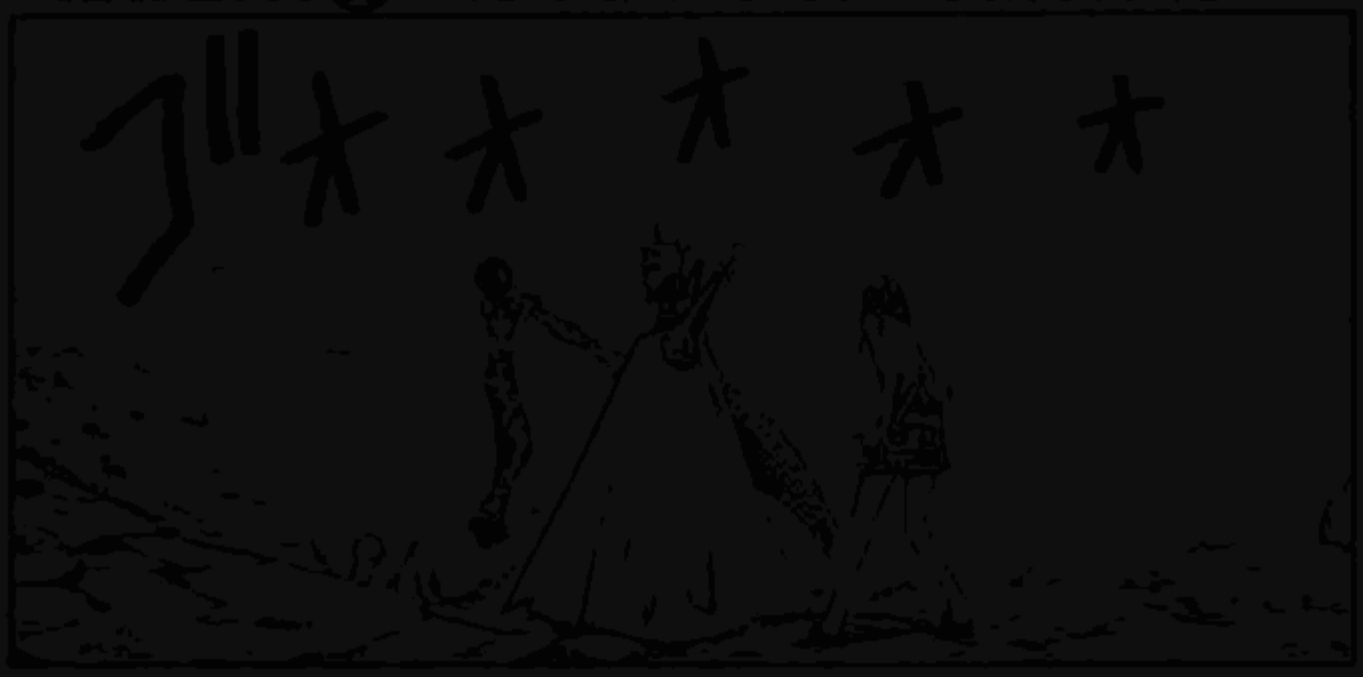
VS



PUUN

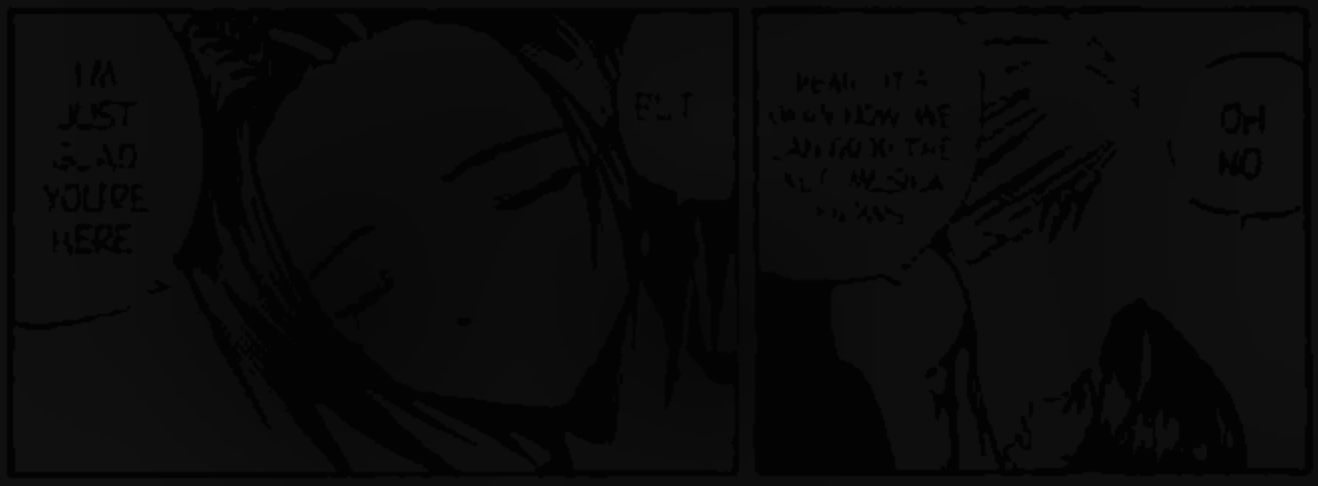
YOU SHOULD ENJOY WHAT LITTLE OF YOUR LIFE YOU HAVE LEFT

THIS IS IT I'M SORRY I LIED TO EVERYONE EVEN IF IT WAS TO PROTECT THE RAVE
I'M SO SORRY I WANT GO ON AND SINGER
BACK HOME
WE WERE SUPPOSED TO GO BACK TO THE HOUSE WHERE WE ALL WERE BORN
AWW I'M SORRY SO ALONE MY DEAR BROTHER I DON'T THINK I'LL BE ABLE TO KEEP MY PROMISE
BROTHER
THAT'S RIGHT THIS PLACE SHOWS PEOPLE THE PLACES INSIDE THEM VERY SOULS SO THIS IS IT MY FINAL RESTING PLACE
IS THAT YOUR SIDE?

IS EVERYONE ALL RIGHT?

!!
RELEASE REMI NOW!!

WHAAAAT?
BROTHER?
REAL ARE YOU OKAY?


I'M JUST GLAD YOU'RE HERE.
ELI
OH NO

SO I KNEW SHE HAD THIS SAME PLACE WITHIN HER.
REMI AND I ARE BROTHER AND SISTER
"O YO_" BUT HOW? YOU CAN'T SNEAK AROUND THIS PLACE! WE ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN MOVE THROUGH THIS SPACE

THAT WAS THE LINK BETWEEN OUR SPACES
PITT
THIS IS THE HOUSE WE WERE BORN IN

I KNEW SHED BE DRAWN HERE TOO
SO I JUST WENT LOOKING FOR THIS HOUSE HOPING IT WOULD LEAD ME TO HER

I'LL FINISH YOU ALL MYSELF IF I HAVE TO!
URRGH... IT DOESN'T MATTER! TWO OF YOU! TEN OF YOU! YOU'LL STILL DIE TODAY!

DON'T THINK SO I'LL HURT MY SISTER YOUR PUNISHMENT
SHA— BE WORSE THAN YOU CAN EVEN IMAGINE

IF I COULD-I WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN REALLY DO THAT
FINE! WHAT IF WE ESTROYED H- DARK BR HE-

MISS ELIE WE NEED A PLAN HOW CAN WE DEFEAT HIM?
UH NO I DON'T THINK SO

SRIFF THAT'S IT!

DARA BRING

UM OKAY...
UM MR SHADOW MASTER DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT?

STAY AWAY FROM HIM
PLEASE SHOW ME SOME MORE
SEE I CAN CHANGE LIKE THIS TOO
GRIFF

!
YOU CAN DO IT MASTER PLUE!
PUUN
PUUUN!!
AH!
UNGH!
I CAN'T BE YOLP NOSE MASTER PLUE IS SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO DESTROY DARK BRAIGS!

IS THAT SO?
PSYCHIC POWERS?!
AAAAAH!
WHAT
AERIAL PLUE!

WE DID IT
FROM HERE !!!

THIS GIRL CAN TAKE CARE OF HERSELF!!

RON AND RONETTE ARE ALREADY DOWN. THAT LEAVES THREE MORE PALACE GUARDIANS. I HAVE A FEELING THEY WON'T BE SO EASY
REMI YUU'S WERE RIGHT ABOUT THESE PEOPLE THEY'RE AMAZING

?
I'VE GOT A BAAAD FEELING ABOUT THIS
HUH?
HE HAS AN AMAZING SPIRIT. THE STRONGEST IN THE WORLD
YOU DON'T KNOW HARU. IT'S UNDER CONTROL.

HE'S GOOD
WAH
F
F
WAH THIS GUY HAS MATCHED ME BLOW FOR BLOW

TO BE HONEST I NEVER THOUGHT YOUD LAST THIS LONG AN SEE WHY THE RAVES THOSE YOU
WAH
F
F
MMPH

FEH!
THERE'S ONE THING I DON'T GET. WHY HAVEN'T YOU PULLED A DARK BRING?
DUDE / DUDE
DISHONORABLE?
BUT IF YOU'RE SO CONCERNED WITH "FAR" AND "HONORABLE" WHY WORK FOR DEMON CARD.
YOU ARE YOUNG AND DO NOT UNDERSTAND. I AM SIMPLY A WARRIOR ON A QUEST FOR WORTHY OPPONENTS.
JUST IGNORE THE DARK BRINGS THAT ARE IRRELEVANT TO MY EXISTENCE.

THERE ARE
TWO SIDES
BATTLE
LIVES AND
WHO DIES
GAH!
SO YOU
HAVE NO
SOUL
EITHER!
DEATH
COMBAT
THAT'S
WHAT
MATTERS

I CAN FIGHT BECAUSE I HAVE SPIRIT.
AND THAT IS WHAT MAKES YOU WEAK
!!
BUT I FIGHT ON AS THE RAVE MASTER AND

AND I'LL MAKE IT THAT WAY, I PROMISE YOU...

THIS WILL BE A PEACEFUL WORLD WHERE PEOPLE CAN LIVE IN LAUGHTER.

THIS BOY HE CAN'T BE SERIOUS
AND IF YOU WANNA GET IN THE WAY I'LL HAVE TO TAKE YOU DOWN!
IT'S THAT SPIRIT THAT WILL PROPEL ME TO VICTORY
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH SON YOU HAVEN'T EVEN SEEN THE DRAGON TECHNIQUES THAT HAVE BEEN HANDED DOWN TO ME FROM THE GENERATIONS BEFORE

MY TRUSTY RUNE SAVE!!
NICE TRICK, BUT I HAVE ONE OF MY OWN.
THE BLAZE FROM THE DRAGON MFERNO HAS THE POWER TO MELT STEEL
THEN TRY THIS ON FOR SIZE
THAT'S RIGHT THE BLADE OF THE RAVE MASTER HAS THAT TOO
EARTH DRAGON GOLDEN STORM!!

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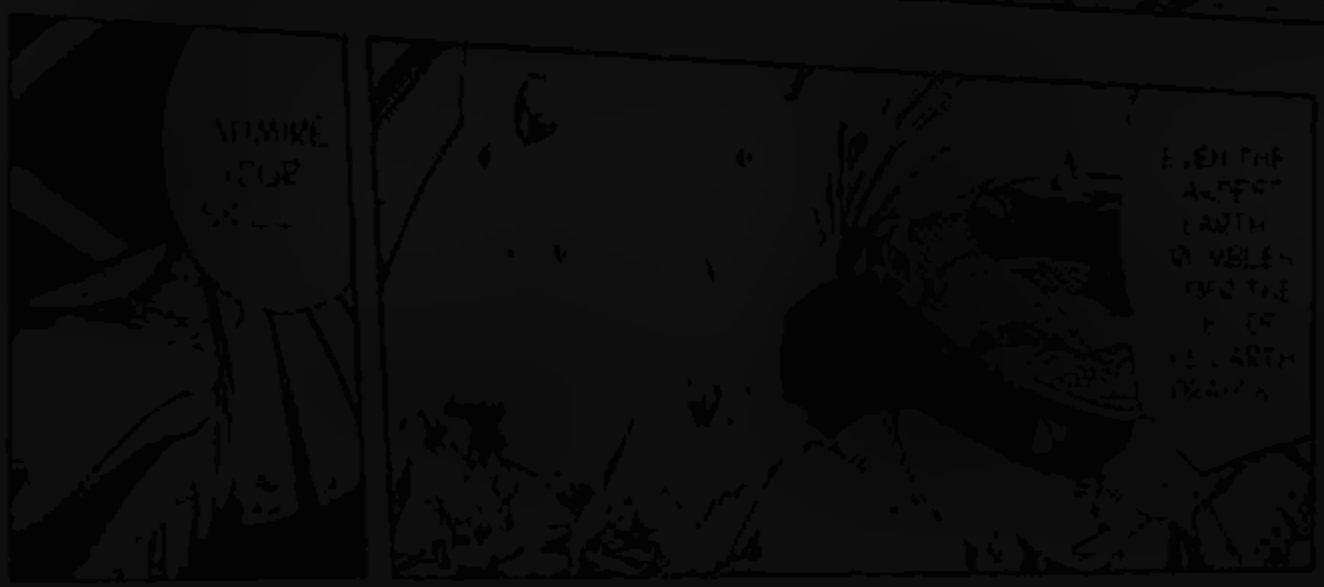
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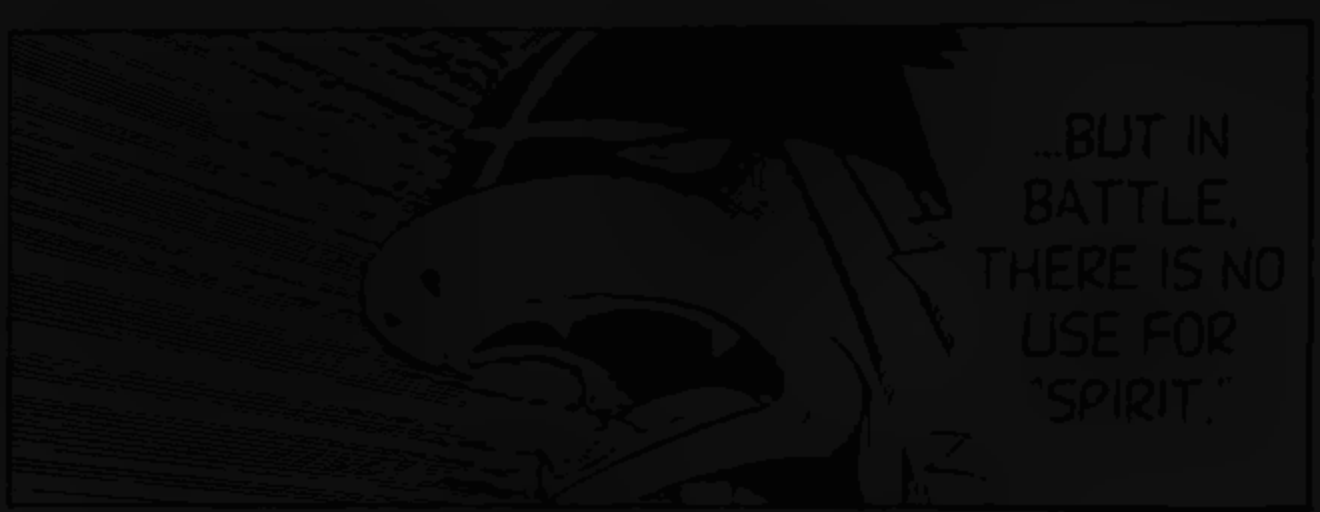

...BUT IN
BATTLE,
THERE IS NO
USE FOR
"SPIRIT."

I HAVE A REASON TO FIGHT!
YOU'RE WRONG! IT COULDN'T BE MORE IMPORTANT FAMILY FRIENDS THE WORLD!

FEH! SPIRIT YOU FOOL! OPEN YOUR EYES SO THAT YOU MAY SEE THE LIGHT
SKILL IS WHAT WINS BATTLES TASTE THE HOLY DRAGON SMASH- ACCEPT YOUR DEFEAT

SECRET ART

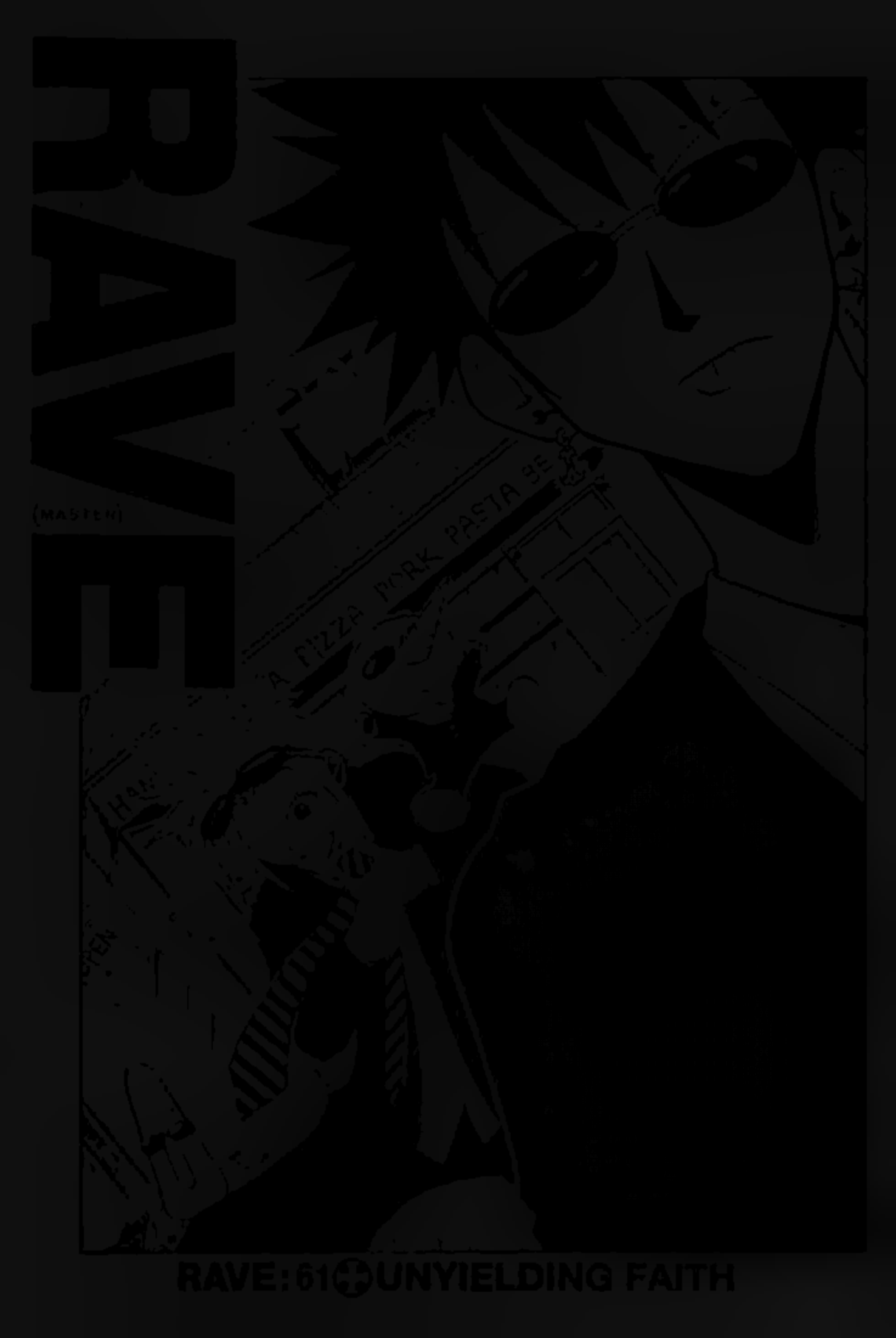
EXPLOSION MAD DANCE!
HOLY DRAGON SPREAD TIGER!

SO YOU'VE SPENT YOUR LIFE FIGHTING NEVER DOUBTING FOR EVEN A SECOND
WH WHAT THE-?!
I'M SURE YOU'D SEE
IF YOU OPENED YOUR EYES EVEN A TI..E
THE TRUE MEANING OF LIFE!!!

THE DOUBLE DRAGON SWORD, BLUE CRIMSON!

YOU HAVE TWO SWORDS?!

SO IT DIDN'T BREAK IT JUST SPLIT IN TWO
THE TEN POWERS ONLY DOUBLE SWORD FORM WITH IT I CAN WIELD BOTH A SWORD OF FLAME AND A SWORD OF ICE ALL AT ONCE
BLUE CRIMSON THE FIFTH FORM OF THE TEN POWERS
BUT THE BUCK STOPS HERE THE STRONGER YOU COME ON THE STRONGER I COME BACK
I GOTTA SAY AMIGO I NEVER IMAGINED LET WOLD EVER I LOSE.
THAN LIFE OR DEATH


RAVE
(MASTER)
A PIZZA PORK PASTA BE
HA!

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MAN. I HOPE EVERYONE ELSE IS ALL RIGHT...
I'M AN ONLY CHILD

I BEAT HIM NOW I GOTTA FIND MY DAD

NOT IN ONE PIECE ANYWAY
SORRY AMIGO YOU AIN'T GOIN NOWHERE

LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'VE GOT BOY

!
YOU AND I ARE GONNA HAVE A LITTLE FUN
_EAVING SO SOON? NO WAY JOSE
SMOOTH! ARE YOU NUTS-
BUT BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW?

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SMOKE BLAST
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SILFARION!!!

RIGHT BACK AT YOU THREE TIMES!! TRIPLE REVENGER !!

GUWAAH!!

YOU'VE GOT TO CLEAR YOUR MIND.

!

I JUST THOUGHT A SMALL PIECE OF ADVICE MIGHT EVEN UP THE PLAYING FIELD A LITTLE
I MERELY WANT AN EVENLY FIGHT SO YOU HAVING USED UP MOST OF YOUR ENERGY ALREADY
THAT'S ALL

THIS IS ABOUT YOU

CLEAR YOUR MIND OF TALKIN' AND DON'T KNOW WHERE UP IS.

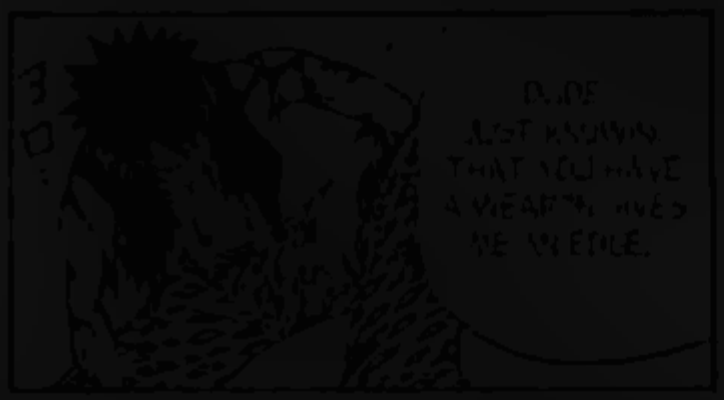
THAT WOULD BRING SHAME UPON MY NAME
STAY OUT OF THIS
NOT GOING TO STAY OUT AND I AM NOT GOING
WATCH THE

YOU JUST DON'T GET IT. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MANY OF US YOU KNOCK DOWN. AS LONG AS EL CAPITAN IS ALIVE YOU'RE ALL IN BIG TIME TROUBLE
DUDE, YOU DON'T HAVE A CLUE. MUSICA IS THE TOUGHEST GUY I KNOW
THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN LOSE!

GOD
WHAT A WASTE OF TALENT WHAT A WASTE OF POWER
WHAT HAS JOSHIKUSU THE DARK MASTER WITTEN FOR HIM
WHOA WHAT IS THIS SUIT HIM TO SAVE

A MONSTER...? NOT HARDLY. I THINK KINS COMES MUCH CLOSER TO FITTING THAT BILL.
I'M NOT SEE EM!
OKAY, I GET IT. I'M NOT WHAT I WAS BORN AS...
YOUR WEAPONS ARE AS TRANSPARENT AS YOUR ATTITUDE.
YOU CAN USE IT TO MAKE THINGS INVISIBLE

WITH THIS EVER ANGLE BECOMES A BLIND SPOT THAT IS WHY THEY CALL ME THE DEAD ANGLE
HA DEDUCTIVE REASONING AND A SLEEVER TONGUE YES THIS DARA BRING'S ALLED TRANSPARENT AND INVISIBILITY IS TRUMPED


DUDE JUST KNOWIN THAT YOU HAVE A WEAPON GIVES ME VERTIGO.

WELL KNOWING OF MY PRESENCE OR NOTHING TO HELP YOU COUNTER IT

THIS AIN'T OVER YOT EVEN CLOSE.

WHY BOTHER TO FIGHT OTO A SMART BOY LIKE YOU MUST KNOW WHEN HE IS FINISHED
GOD'S

WHY FIGHT SO HARD FOR THE LITTLE RAVE MASTER
I ADMIRE YOUR GUSTO BUT WHERE DOES IT COME FROM.

I KNOW HARU NEEDS YOU TO GO DOWN AND ALL...
YOU KNOW MAN...
NOW!!!
MY EMOTIONS NEVER GET THE BETTER OF ME

TRY THIS ON FOR SIZE FREAK!"
!
HE'S GONE
!!
AND JUST WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
WHAT THE
HAVEN'T GOT ANY WHERE TO

IDINALOO!
YOU'RE A TALENTED AMATEUR BUT THIS IS THE BIG LEAGUES

HARU.
I'M SORRY, MAN.

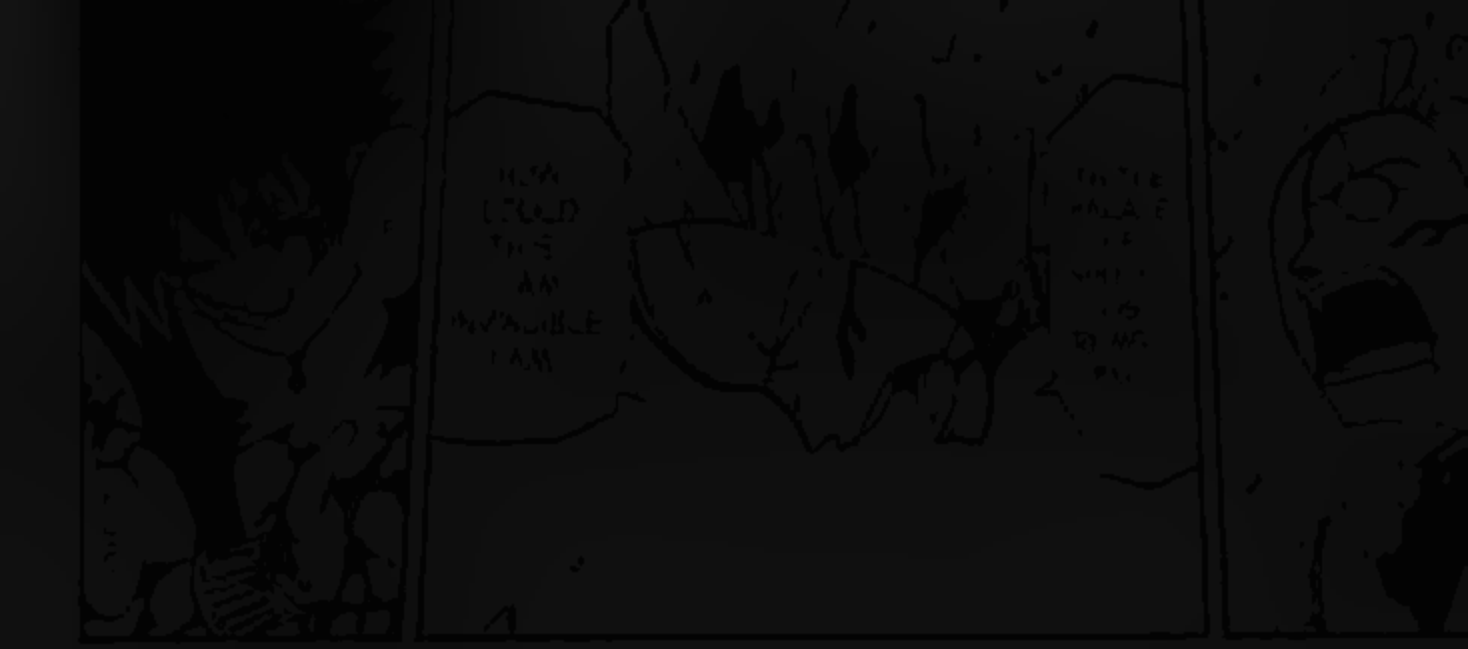
KILL ME.

AS YOU WISH
MAYBE YOU'LL FIND A BETTER EXISTENCE IN THE NEXT LIFE
DEATH IS BETTER THAN LIVING WITH THIS PAIN. FINISH IT

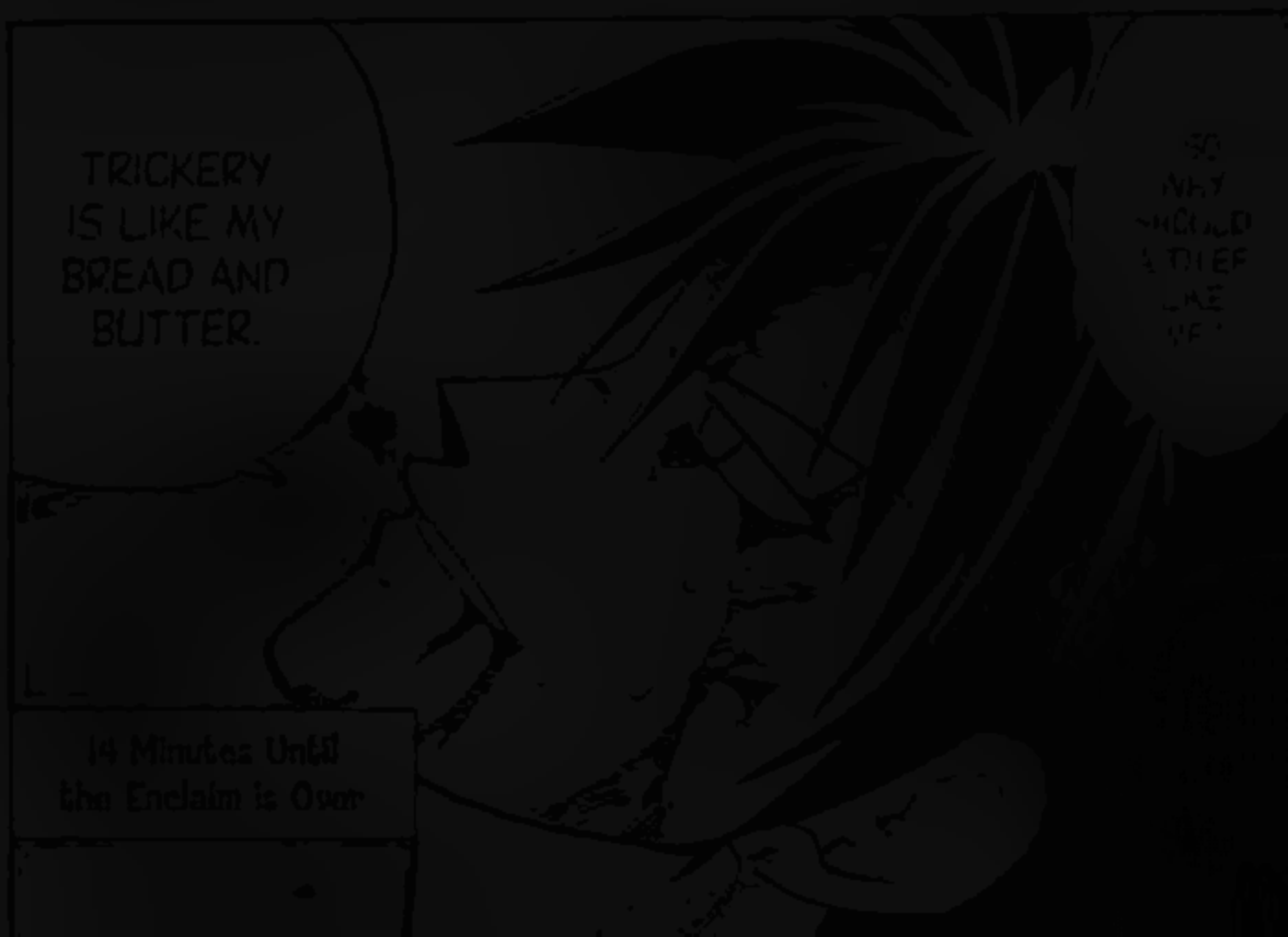
THIS LIFE IS OVER BUT PERHAPS
HARU
PERHAPS IN YOUR NEXT ONE YOU'LL END UP ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THIS WAR

BUT I CAN'T LOSE EITHER!
WHAT?
OH NO!

THE FEELING OF FEAR REMEMBER IT MY FRIEND
SILVER DEATH!!!
SILVER
GUAAAAAAAAAAAAAH!!!



IYAH WAH IYAH
YOU GOT SUCKERED
DUDE TRICKED SO
QUIT YOUR WHINING
YOU DON'T PLAY BY
THE RULES
BLACK STAR
Y
WHY
YOU


TRICKERY
IS LIKE MY
BREAD AND
BUTTER.
14 Minutes Until
the Exclaim is Over

I DON'T HAVE A CLUE
WHAT YOU'RE SAYING
BUT I HAVE A FEEL
YOU'RE TELLING ME
WE'RE STUCK

WAS AFRAID OF THIS.
THIS PLACE IS MADE UP OF
CAVERNS WITHOUT
ME THERE THIS PLACE
DOESN'T EXIST WHERE
MUSICA'S THE LAND
BROKEN!
HUUUUH? I THOUGHT
YOU SAID THIS HOUSE
COULD GET US TO
MUSICA BUT IT'S
FILLED BLACK
OF

WHAT

WHAT?
WHA
PUUNH

RAVE MASTER

RAVE:62 SEEKING THE LIGHT

MASTER PLEASE QUICK STOP HIS BLEEDING HIS WOUNDS LOOK SEVERE
PUUN
MUSICA
FUA ARE YOU OKAY?
BUT WHAT ABOUT THE BOY. HE MAY HAVE STOPPED BLEEDING BUT THIS DOESN'T LOOK GOOD
LIMPH NEVER BEEN BETTER

IT'S A... COMING TOGETHER THAT'S WHY THE MASK FACED MAN
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NARL
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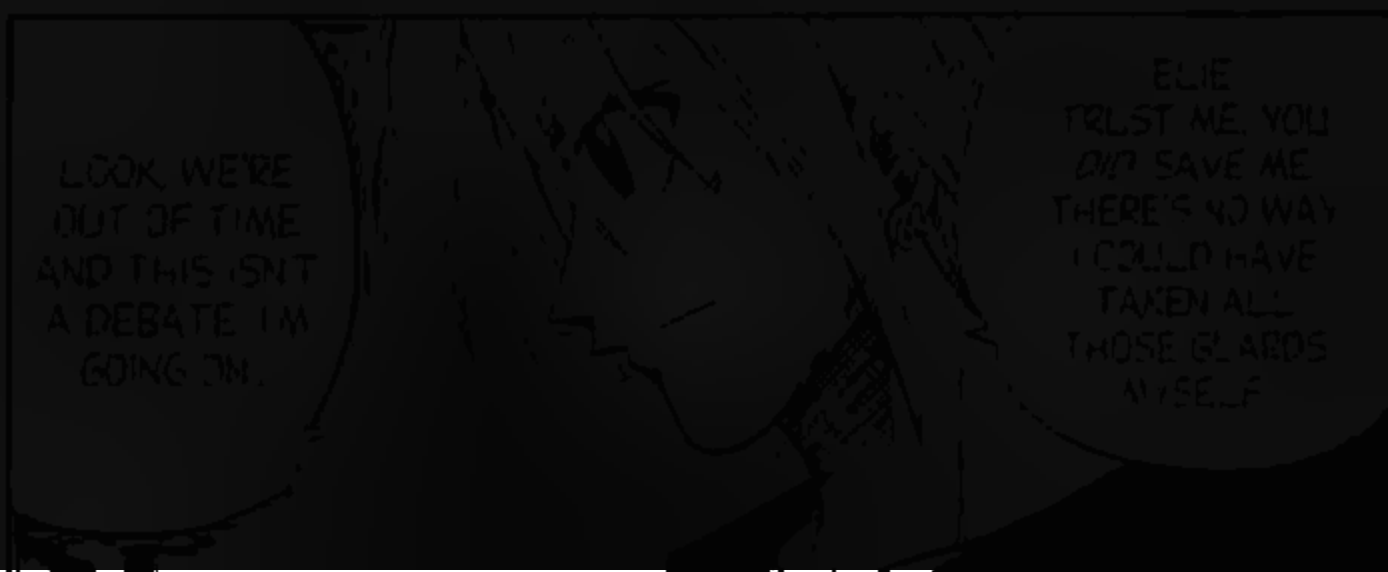
IT WAS ONLY FOR A FEW SECONDS BUT I WAS ENOUGH
HEH I USED RUNE SAVE TO COMPLETELY CLEAR MY HEAD

MUSICA! KEEP IT TOGETHER YOU'RE GONNA BE A... RIGHT
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU LOOK LIKE A PIECE OF SWISS CHEESE
MUSICA!
HARU!! IT'S MUSICA!! HE'S HURT IN A BAD WAY!!

WHATEVER YOU GAVE IT WAS ENOUGH YOU TOOK THAT OGRE DOWN
MUSICA MAN HOW HARD DID YOU PUSH YOURSELF TO BEAT THAT DUDE?
HE'S GONNA BE FINE
UHH, WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO? WHAT IF MUSICA DOESN'T GET UP.
I OWE YOU ONE, BUDDY...
HE'LL BE OKAY TRUST ME
NONE OF US ARE GONNA DIE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS

MUSICA II
GET UP!!
I'M COMING WITH YOU.
KARL DON'T BE STUPID! YOU CAN'T FACE KING BY YOURSELF!
I'M GONNA HEAD FOR THE TOP FLOOR. I WANT THE REST OF YOU TO TAKE THE WOUNDED BACK TO THE BARRIER
BESIDES WON'T BE ALONE UP THERE
I CAN HANDLE THIS

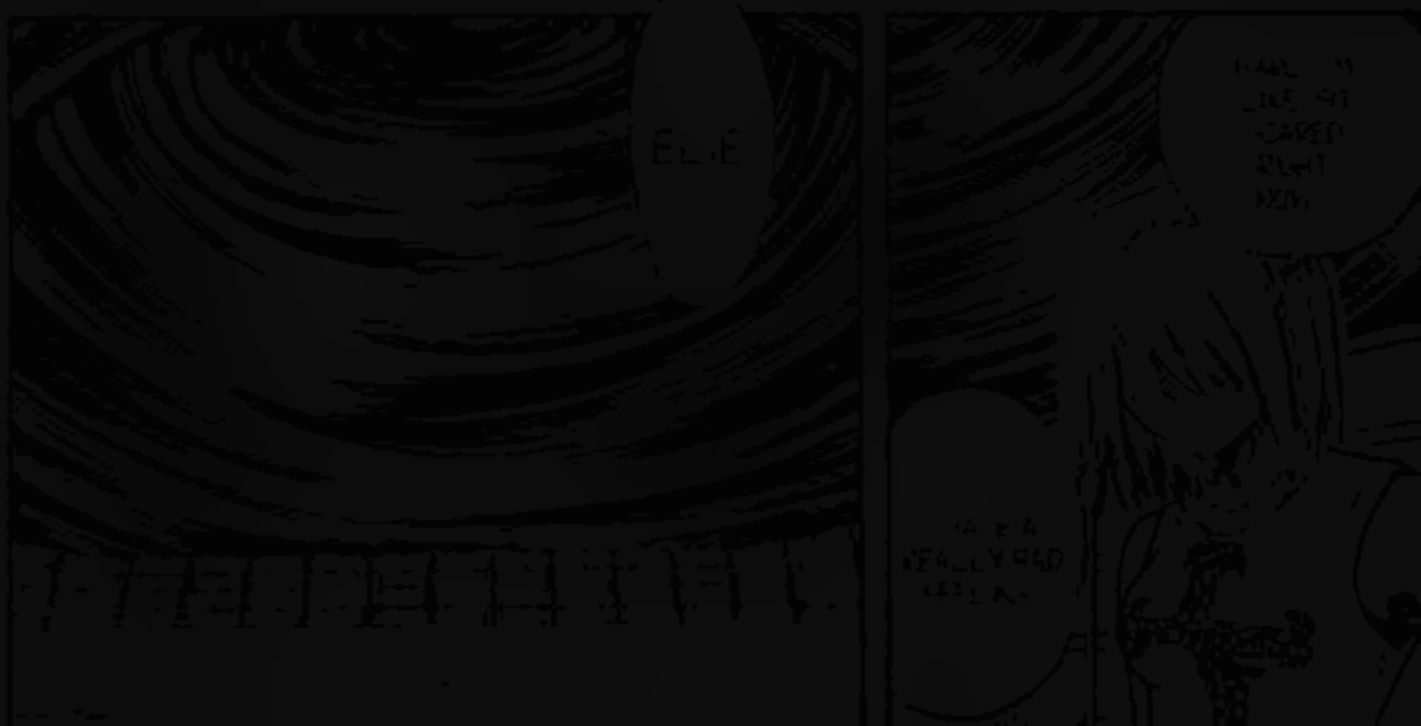
MY DAD'S WAITIN FOR ME.


LOOK WE'RE OUT OF TIME AND THIS ISN'T A DEBATE I'M GOING ON.
ELIE TRUST ME. YOU *DID* SAVE ME THERE'S NO WAY I COULD HAVE TAKEN ALL THOSE GLADOS MYSELF

UGH
GOOD LUCK MARL YOU'RE GOING TO NEED IT
I DON'T LIKE IT BUT I DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE
MARL

YOU PROMISE?
YOU'RE- YOU'RE REALLY COMING BACK RIGHT?

AND I KEEP MY PROMISES.
UH HUH


ELLIE
I'M SO GLAD

AND
DIDN'T
NEED
HELP
HAVE YOU
THIS DEFEATING
KING WITHOUT SOLVE
ALL OUR TROUBLES
BUT IT WAS A START IT
GIVES THIS WORLD A
BETTER FUTURE
WE
STILL
NEED TO
FIND OUT
WHAT
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TO YOUR
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WE CAN
GO ON MORE
ADVENTURES
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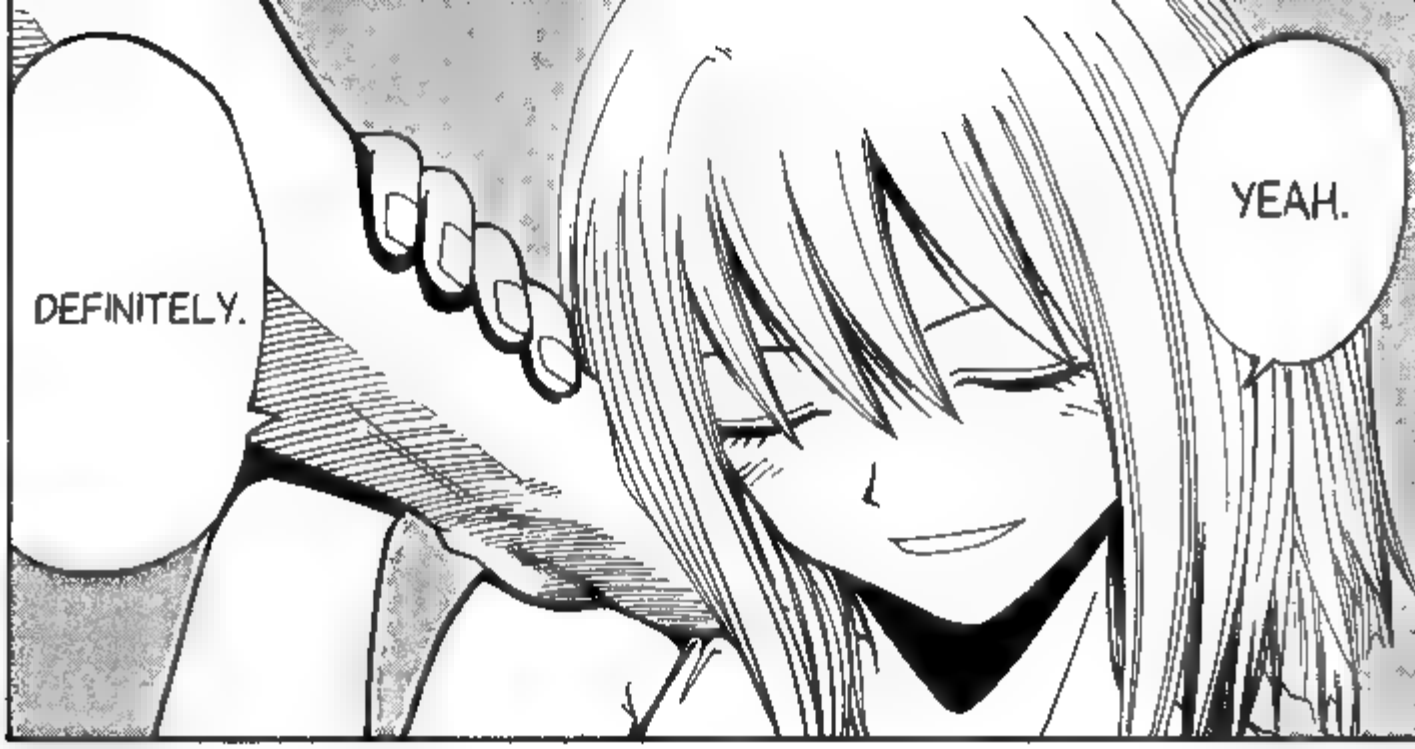
RIGHT?


DEFINITELY.
YEAH.

OH... THANKS, GRIFF

I... BELIEVE IN YOU... I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT...
MR. HARU. DO BE CAREFUL...

C'MON, ELIE! MOVE IT! WE NEED TO GET MUSICA AND THE OTHERS TO A DOCTOR AND FAST!
RIGHT

MGUWAAAAAAH!!!

MR. HARU, SIR.. ON YOUR NEXT TRIP... PLEASE...
PLEASE

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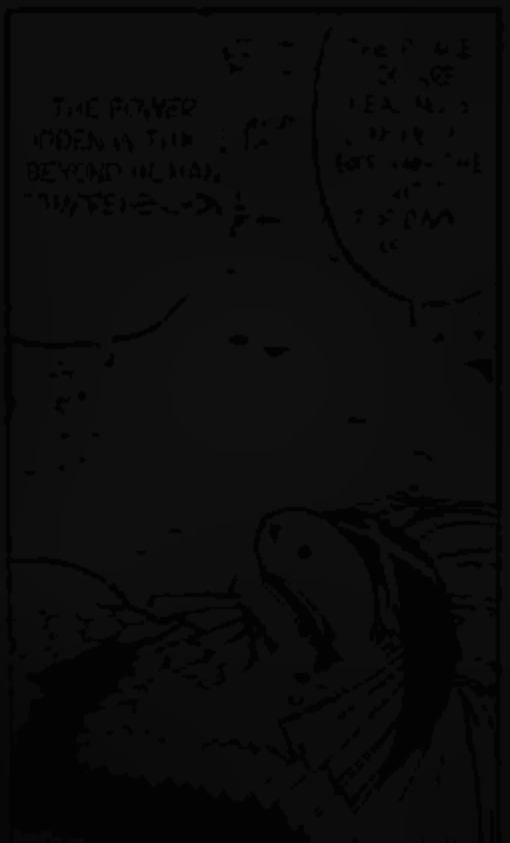
WHAT A TOUCHING FAREWELL

YOU MAY VERY WELL NEVER SEE YOUR FRIENDS AGAIN.



I'M PREPARED TO PAY THE COSTS.

I KNOW. AND I'M READY.

YOU'RE THE REAL DEAL, KID, YOU REALLY ARE...

..BUT I'M ON MY WAY!
DAD. SORRY IT TOOK SO LONG.
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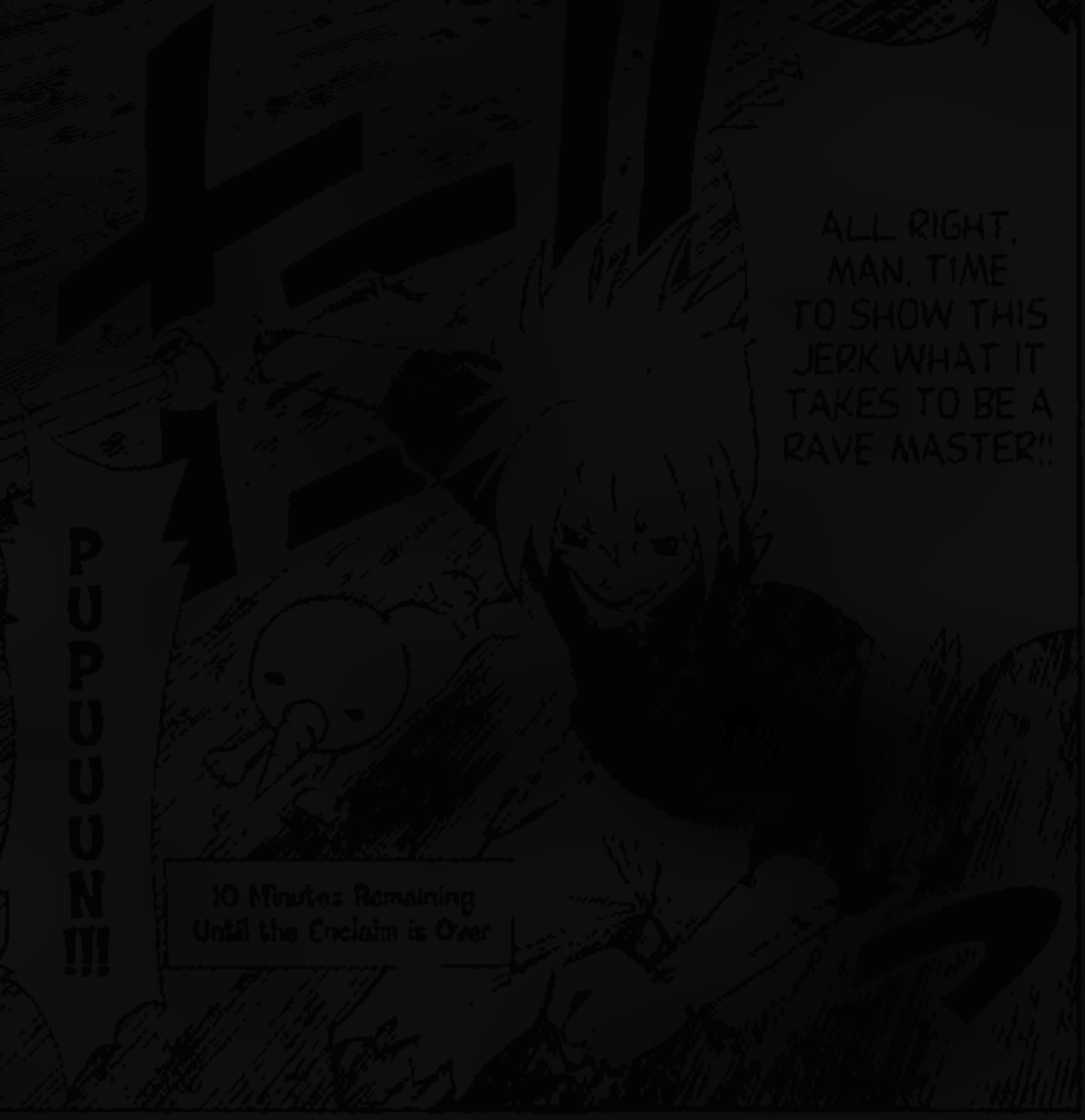
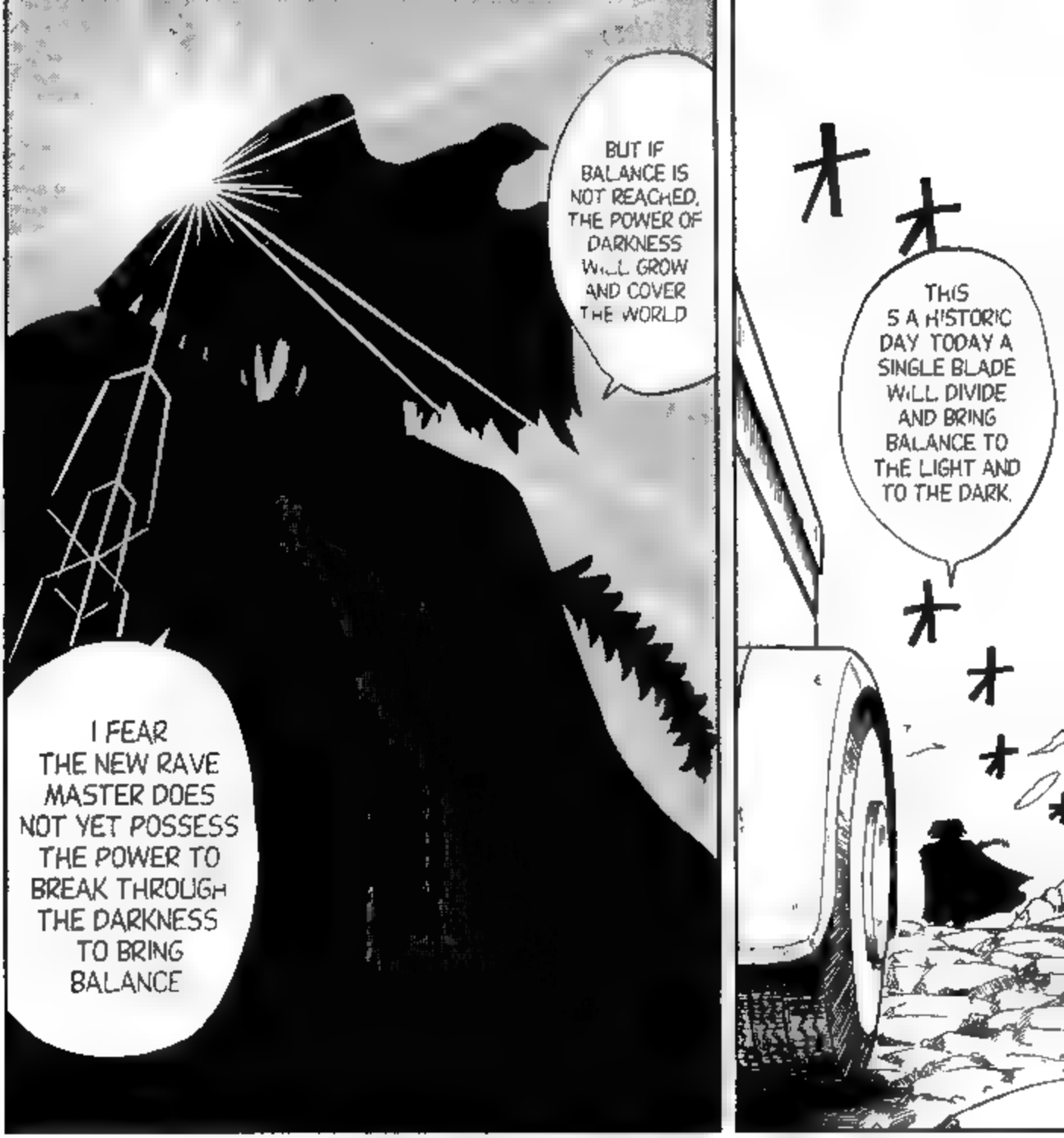
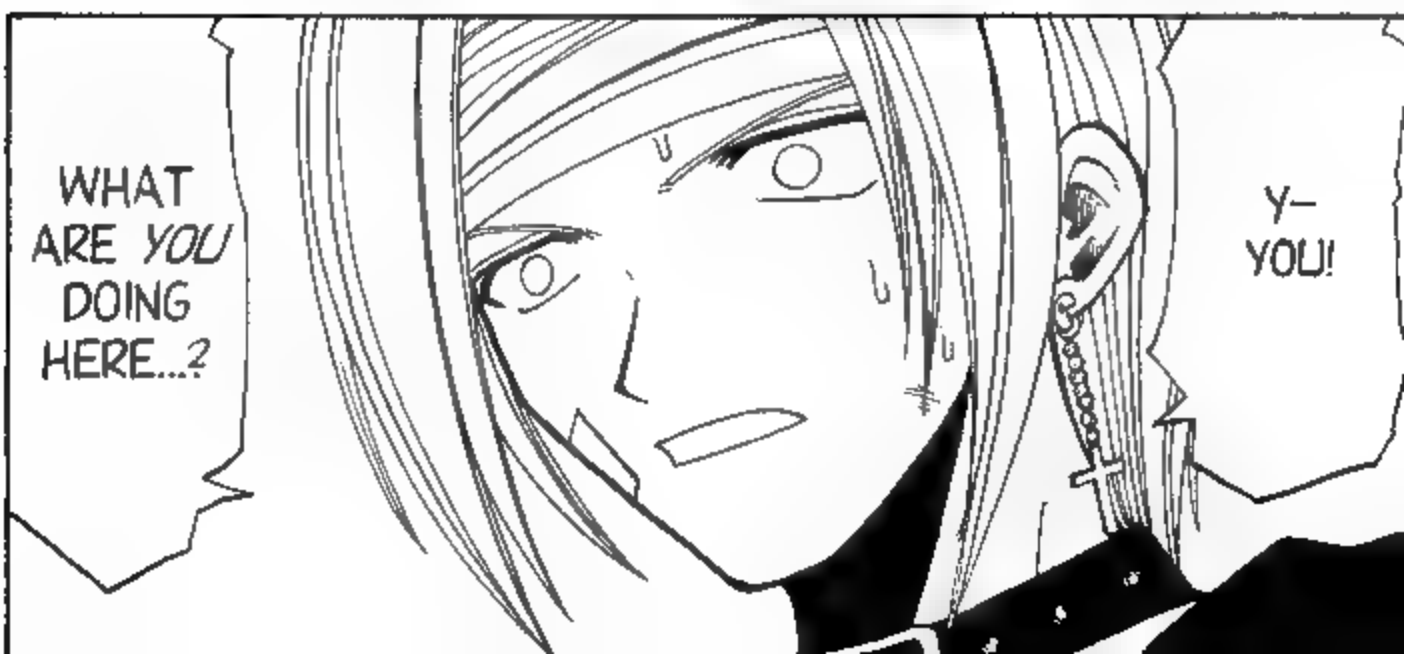
!
PUUN
YOU'RE RIGHT. I WOULDN'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT YOU.
PLUE!
PUPUUUUN!!!


ALL RIGHT, MAN. TIME TO SHOW THIS JERK WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A RAVE MASTER!!
PUPUUUN!!!
10 Minutes Remaining Until the Exclaim is Over

ELIE DON'T WORRY HE'S WITH MASTER HAIL I'M SURE IF
WAIT PLUE'S NOT HERE


BUT IF BALANCE IS NOT REACHED, THE POWER OF DARKNESS WILL GROW AND COVER THE WORLD
I FEAR THE NEW RAVE MASTER DOES NOT YET POSSESS THE POWER TO BREAK THROUGH THE DARKNESS TO BRING BALANCE
THIS IS A HISTORIC DAY TODAY A SINGLE BLADE WILL DIVIDE AND BRING BALANCE TO THE LIGHT AND TO THE DARK.


WHAT ARE *YOU* DOING HERE...?
Y- YOU!

ENTRUSTED FUTURE

WHA-
WHAT ARE
YOU
DOING
HERE
IF YOU
DO YOUR
JOB..
COULD
FADE
AWAY
LADY
CLEA!!
Clea Maltese
One of the Four Knights
of the Blue Sky

WE CAN'T RISK THE LOSS.
I MUST RETURN TO THE HU- GRYUNDE MEDIATELY
YOU KNOW IN YOUR HEART THE REASON I HAVE COME MY SON
IT IS ALL RIGHT SOJASIDO
YOU HAVE DONE WE AND YOU DESERVE MY HEARTFELT GRATITUDE
SOJASOO AND REMI AND FUA
TODAY IT ALL ENDS I RELIEVE YOU OF YOUR DUTIES
PROTECTING MY SOU... TAKING CARE OF ME WHEN I WAS HELPLESS THAT HAS TAKEN ITS TOLL ON YOU MY CHILDREN

IT'S TIME TO GIVE THE RAVE OF COMBAT TO THE RAVE MASTER
THE TIME HAS COME
ALL OUR WORK IT WILL BE LOST
OOOOOH OKAY I DON'T GET IT

TODAY IS THE DAY ALL QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED ALL TRUTHS REVEALED
IT IS TIME.
GIVE IT THE RAVE Y COMBAT TO THE YOUNGDALE MASTER HE MAY BE ABLE TO KEEP THE DARKNESS AT BAY
BUT ONLY IF THE POWER OF THE DARK BRING CAN BE STOPPED
?
HOLD UP LADY ARE YOU SAYING THAT WITHOUT THIS COMBAT THINGY MABOB IS SUNK FOR SURE?
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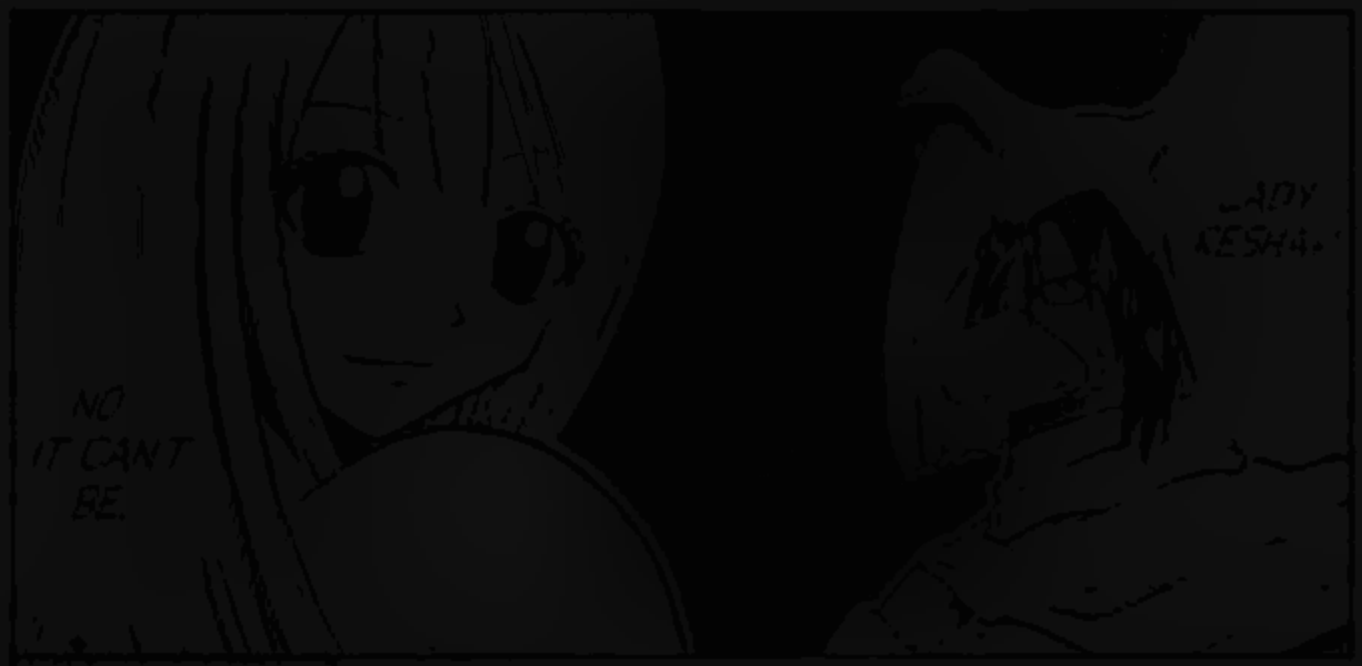
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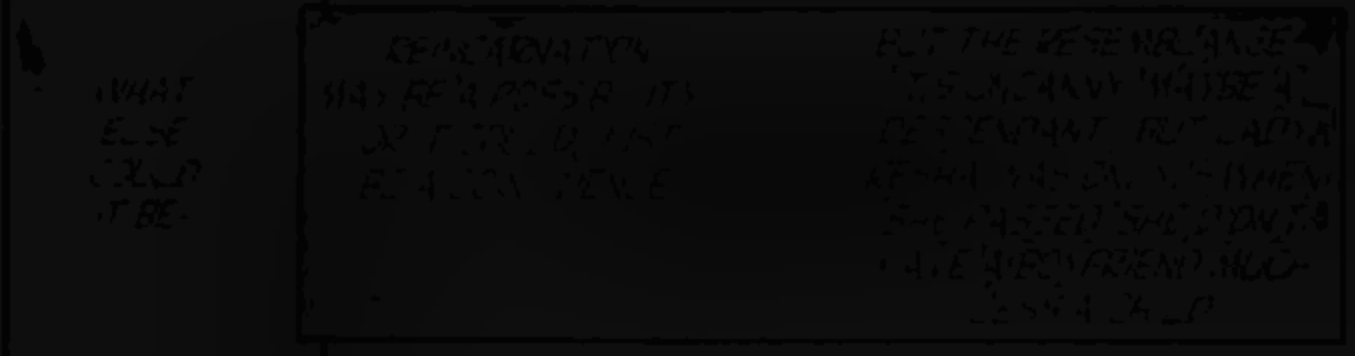
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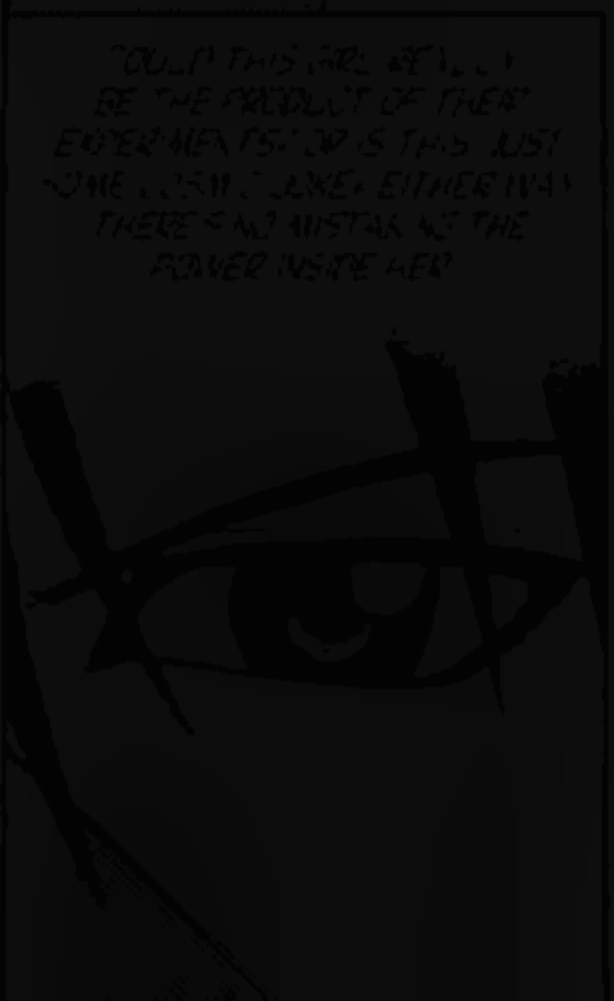
COULD THIS GREATLY
BE THE PRODUCT OF THEAT
EXPERIMENTS? OR IS THIS JUST
SOME CRAZY COINCIDENCE EITHER WAY
THERE'S NO MISTAKE AT THE
POWER INSIDE HER

IF IT IS ETHEREON OR OTHERWISE I DO NOT KNOW
THIS I CAN'T BE COINCIDENCE. THIS HAS TO BE ANOTHER SIGN ANOTHER ACT OF FATE
I AM FEELING WEAKER BY THE MOMENT MY STATE I CANNOT FEND OFF A SINGLE DEMONIC ATTACKER
SURE WHY NOT
AND EVEN IF WERE TO ARRIVE UNSCATHED, MY SPIRIT WOULD LIKELY NOT MAKE THE JOURNEY INTACT

BUT YOU WOULD HAVE TO BEEN FULFILLED WITH SOMETHING MORE THAN MERE WORDS
SOUSIDE THIS IS NOT A LACK OF CONFIDENCE KNOW YOU COULD DO IT
THEN LET ME GO I WILL TAKE THE RAVE
キィィィー!!
OKEY DOKEY YOU CAN COUNT ON ME
LIE I'M TRUSTING YOU
AND NOW MY PART IN THIS IS FINISHED AS WE WISH THE NEW RAVE MASTER LUCK
I MUST NOW TAKE MY LEAVE
OKAY KIDS! TIME TO RAUL BOOTY' GRIFF GET ME MY BOOTS

YES...
THANK YOU VERY MUCH...
UH...
UGH...
THOUGH I WILL NOT BE HERE FOR YOUR BRAVE NEW WORLD, I WILL NEVER BE GONE. MY EYES WILL STARE DOWN FROM THE BLUE SKY, WATCHING OVER YOU ALWAYS.
YOUNG SOULS, TOMORROW BELONGS TO YOU AND THE FUTURE WILL BE BUILT BY YOUR STRENGTH.
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MAY YOUR FUTURE MAN'S FUTURE
...BE BRIGHT!

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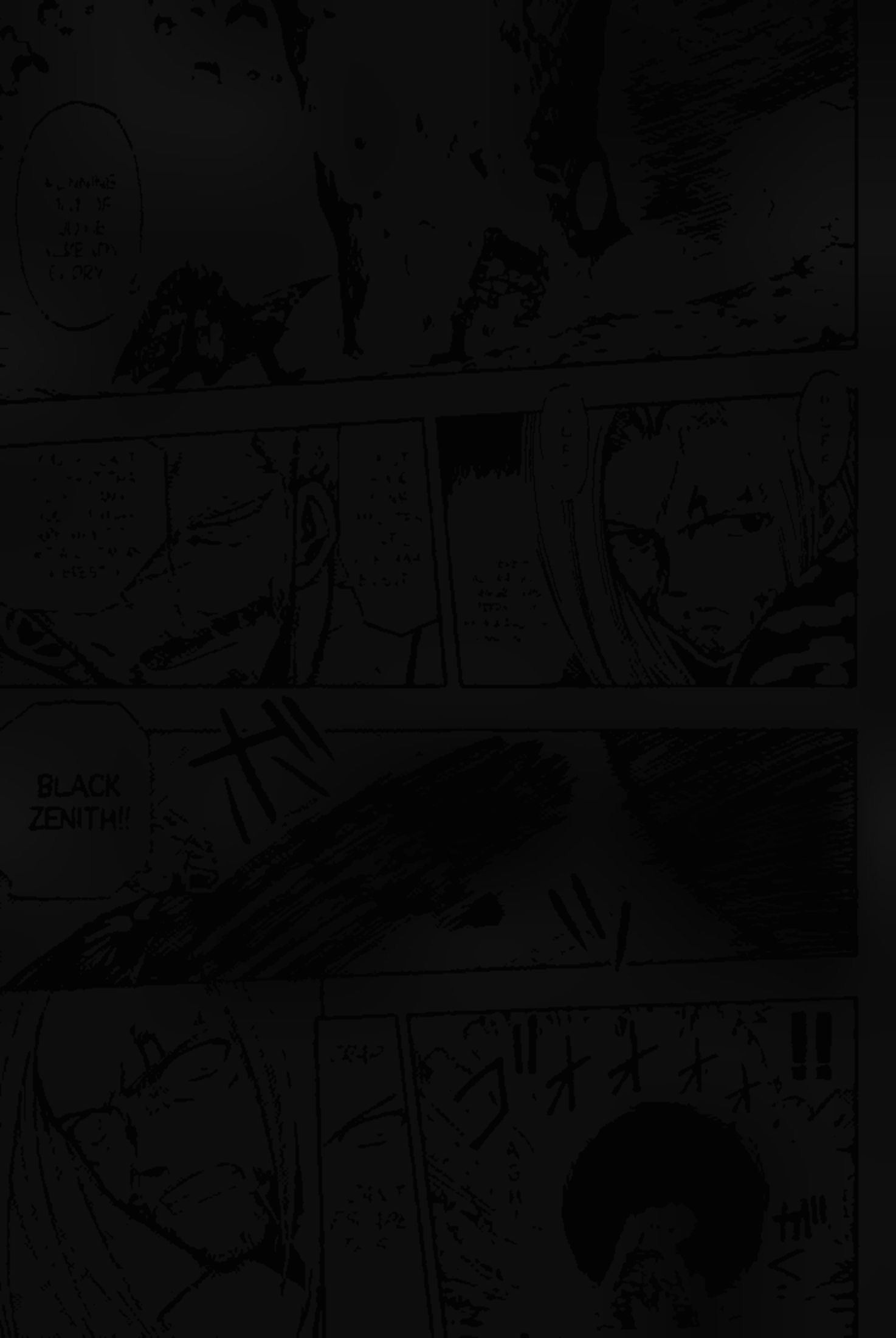
PUU-H
WHAT'S
UP PLUE.
SOMETHING
WRONG

I'M SIGURA
MASTER
KNIGHT OF
BLUE
FATE OF THE
WORLD
YOUR HANDS
HARU GLORY
THE NEW RAVE
MASTER
AND YOU TOO
PLUE.

PUUN
PUUN!!

Tower of Din Top Floor
THE HOPES AND DREAMS OF THE WHOLE PLANET ARE RIDING ON THIS
I'LL LET THIS RAVE TO GIRL I PROMISE
4 Minutes Remaining Until the Eclipsin is Over


BLACK ZENITH!!

HARU!

WELL, WELL...

RUNE SAVE!!!

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NO APOLOGIES NECESSARY KID I'M JUST GLAD TO SEE YOU! GOTTA ADMIT THOUGH I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE SAVING ME B-TT
SORRY I'M LATE I GOT A LITTLE TIED UP
I'M WITH YA!
ALL RIGHT, KID. LET'S GO!!

!
PUPUUN!!
...RAVE MASTER!
BUT I WANT TO SEE IF YOU HAVE THE SKILLS TO BACK THEM UP..
WHAT THE ..!!
SMIRK

TAKE THIS!!!
UGH!
EXPLOSION
NO WAY
THAT WAS

RAVE:64 KING'S ULTIMATE GOAL!

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HARU! YOU OKAY?

YOUR ATTACKS ARE BETTER SUITED TO THE PLAY GROUND NOT UP HERE WITH THE BIG BOYS!
HEH.
EXPLOSION
SMILE
ERGH..
HO-HOW CAN HE BE SO FAST?!
NEXT!

HARU!
MY SILFARION ATTACK TOO?
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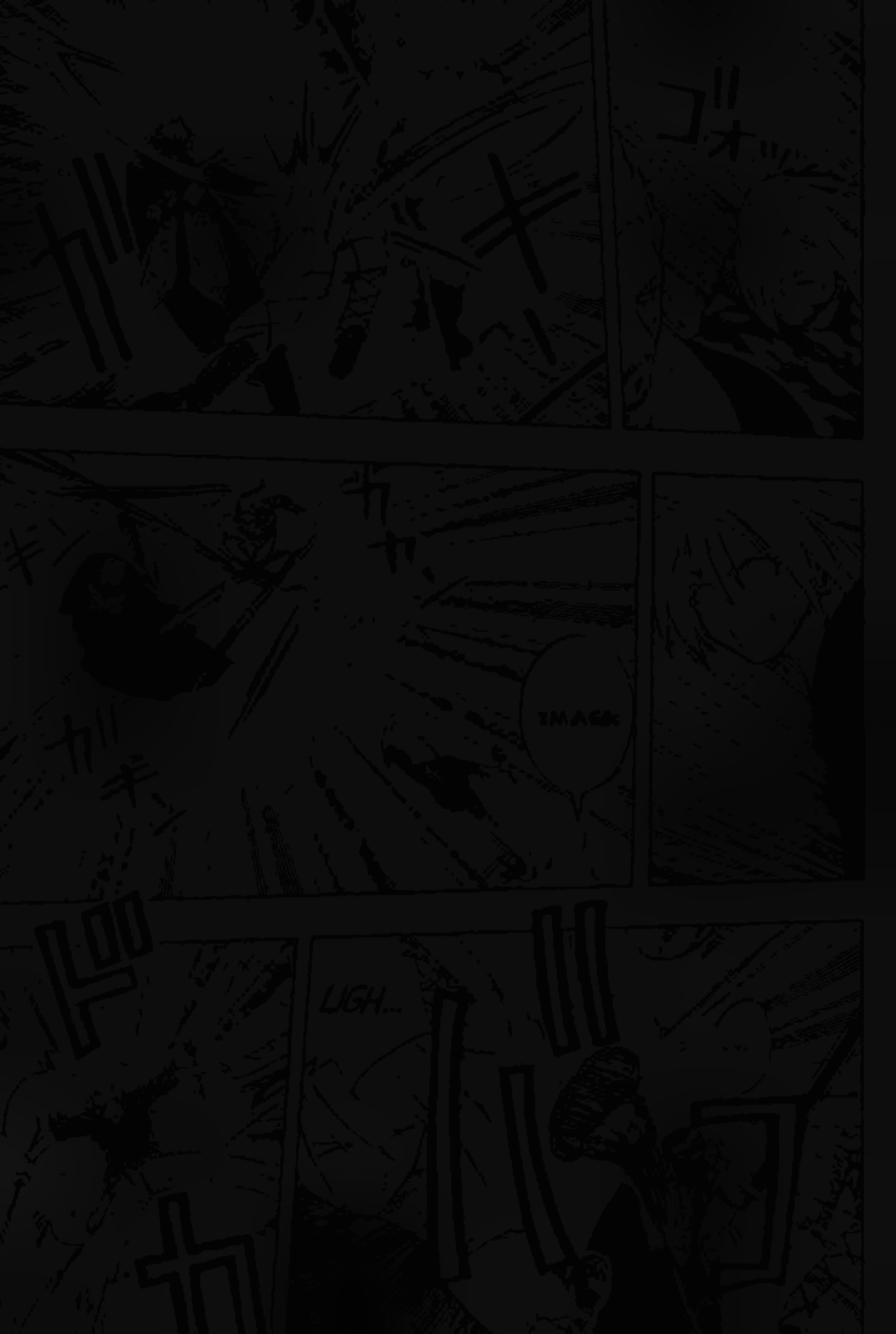
IMAGE
UGH...

SOCHA
HAS PRIM BOTH SIDES
VERY SNEAKY

BLUE CRIMSON!!
UGH

THE DARK BRO CALLED DECALOGUE
I'VE GOT THE BEAUTIFUL DECALOGUE FROM LAST YEARS ENCLAVE
YOU'RE CRAZY
NOW I'VE TO SEE IF THIS ENCLAVE TOKEL YOU TEAM MOST POETIC
THE ENCLAVE WILL END AND YOU WILL DIE
AND WHILE I FINISH YOU THE ENCLAVE WILL COMPLETE A HACK BRING THAT WILL CUT EVEN THE DECALOGUE TO SHAME

YOU'RE TOO LATE
DREAM ON
IT'S TIME
WAIT!! WAIT!! AS THE LIGHT AND DARKNESS MEET FOR THE LAST TIME
AND NOW INTO MY HANDS THE BLACK POWER
END THE

DEATH
OF EARTH
IS NOW
COMPLETE!

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HAVE A PAI
ABOUT
WH
WHAT IS
THAT
...GHT...
YOU GOTTA HAVE... JUST... A.. LITTLE... MORE.. FAITH...
AS LONG AS THEY'RE STIL_ ALIVE. THIS ISN'T OVER

EEKS I'M RUNNING OUT OF TIME!
HARU HOPE HE'S ALL RIGHT

OVER-DRIVE!!
UWA HA HA HA HA!! IT'S FINALLY HERE!! THE WAIT IS OVER!

F YOU'RE
GOING TO USE THAT
DARK BEING YOU'RE
GOING TO HAVE TO
FOCUS THAT'S HOW
IT WORKS
HA
HA HA
HA
KING YOU LEFT
US NO CHOICE
NOW. HAVE TO
WON'T
LET IT
HAPPEN
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HUFF
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HUFF
WHAT
THE
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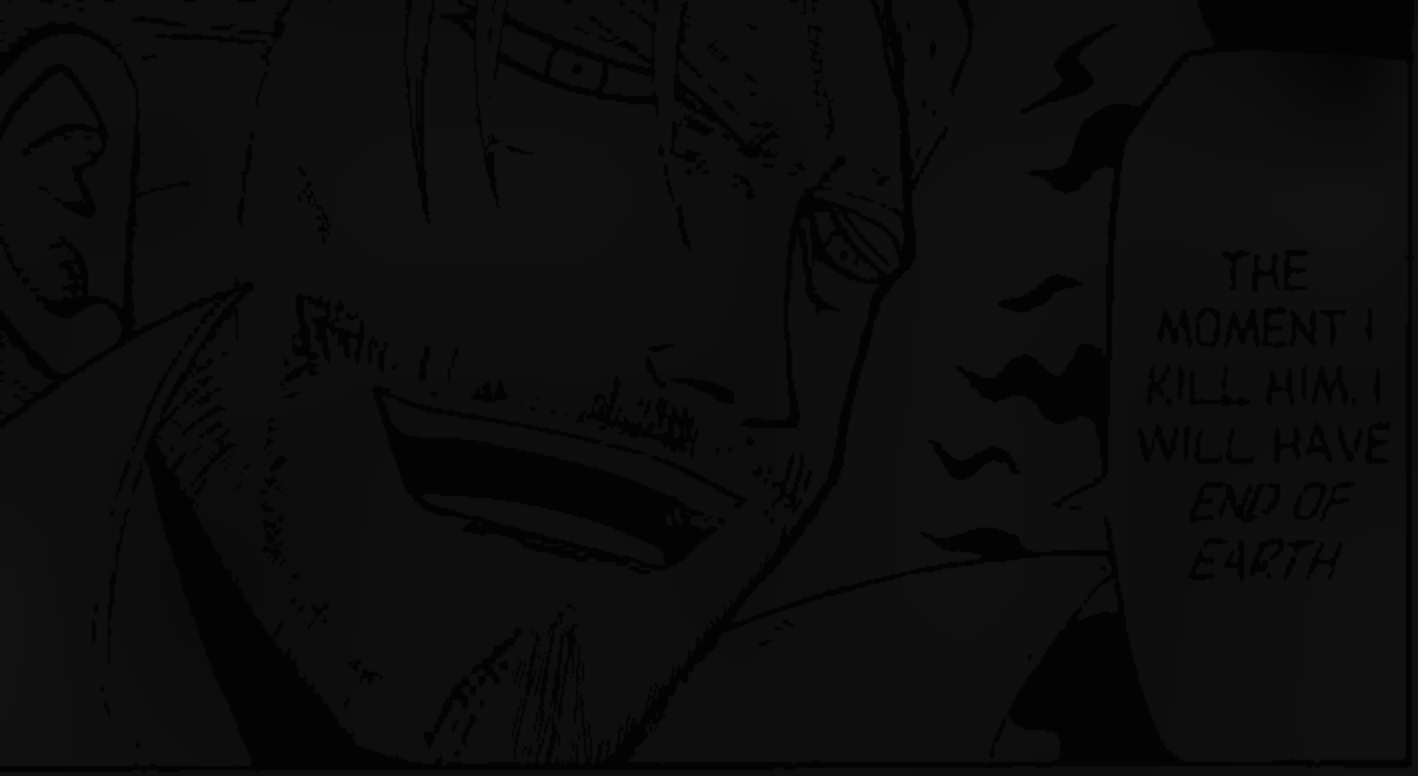
GLU-
SCARED ..F OVER I'M VE-
GALE GLORY- SCARED STIFF
WE DO THAT. AND WE STILL WIN!
DAD! YOU GOTTA PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER! THIS ISN'T OVER! WE CAN STILL STOP HIM! WE JUST NEED TO DESTROY THE DARK BRINGER!
WE CAN
SHUT UP, KING!!
HA HA HA DESTROY THE END OF EARTH DARK BRING- YOU'RE A FUNNY GUY RAVE MASTER! THIS IS THE ULTIMATE WEAPON!
AMEN BESIDES END OF EARTH IS

!!
...INSIDE GALE GLORY'S BODY!
THIS WAS JOKE END OF EARTH WAS COMPLETED IN YUUV -AT HER
NONE OF THIS HE HAS NOTHING RIGHT


THE MOMENT I KILL HIM, I WILL HAVE END OF EARTH

ARGH
THAT'S IT. WRITHE! SQUIRM! AND DIE!!

YOU WILL NEVER UNDER-STAND
WHAT ARE YOU AFTER EXACTLY?
BU-BUT WHY? I DON'T GET IT!
I WANT TO KILL GALE GLORY.
IT'S AS SIMPLE AS THAT.

IT'S SUCH A HIGH PRICE TO PAY JUST TO KILL ONE MAN.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE! WHY MASSACRE AND DESTROY AND WAGE WAR?
THEY DIDN'T ASK WHY. WHY WOULD THEY? THEY GOT TO CAUSE MAYHEM AND THAT WAS ENOUGH FOR THEM.
MASSACRES... DESTRUCTION... WAR... IT WAS ALL BAIT! TRAPS SET BY MY UNDERLINGS TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF "MR. JUSTICE" GALE GLORY!
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA
YOU DID ALL THIS, JUST TO LURE MY DAD OUT INTO THE OPEN...?
I'M AFRAID SO. THIS IS ALL ONE LAST MASTER TRAP FOR GALE GLORY

I'LL TELL YOU OF THE INTERTWINED FATES OF TWO MEN NAMED GALE
YOU REALLY WANNA KNOW? FINE, I'LL TELL YOU.
JUST WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU AND MY DAD?!
BUT WHY? WHY GO THROUGH ALL THAT FOR ONE GUY?
HUH?
AND THEN I'LL TELL YOU WHY YOUR MOTHER, SAKURA, DIED...
IT WAS THE YEAR 0041. 25 YEARS AGO TO THE DAY.
TWO GALES MET, AND THEY CREATED DEMON CARD THIS IS WHERE IT ALL STARTED
TO BE CONTINUED

FIVE PALACE GUARDIANS, CAPTAIN: LTIANGLE, THE DEAD ANGLE

WEAPON: DB (TRANSPARENT)
BIRTHDAY / AGE: MARCH 3, 9951 / 115YO
HEIGHT / WEIGHT / BLOOD TYPE
230CM / 196KG / UNKNOWN
BIRTHPLACE: UNDERWORLD - NORWAN TOWN
INTERESTS / HOBBIES: OBSERVING
SPECIAL TALENT: DRAFTING
LIKES: HIS OWN ARMOR
HATES: RON GLACE

Currently the character that's the biggest hassle to draw. FYI, number two would be Alpine, of the Knights of the Blue Sky. No, really. Ltiangle really is a hassle to draw (laughs). I'll never make another character like this again! Incidentally, to help with the tempo of the story, he got done in pretty quickly, but he's actually the strongest of the Five Palace Guardians by a long shot. Second would be Let, with the rest as Racas, Riquette, and Ron rounding out the bunch. To tell the truth, I actually wanted to go into more detail with the fight between Musica and this guy, but you gotta keep the story moving, right? Farewell, captain!!

PALACE GUARDIAN:
LET, OF THE DRAGON PEOPLE

WEAPON: NONE (BAREHANDED)
BIRTHDAY / AGE: DECEMBER 4, 0044 / 22YO
HEIGHT / WEIGHT / BLOOD TYPE
177CM / 80KG / UNKNOWN
BIRTHPLACE: UNKNOWN
INTERESTS / HOBBIES: TRAINING
SPECIAL TALENT: ZOOLOGY
LIKES: BATTLE, STRONG OPPONENTS
HATES: PEACE

Boy, do I love this character.
By the way, out of all the Palace Guardians, this guy is the only one that's not a demonoid. The Dragon race is separate from the demonoids, see. And in wanting to make his personality different from the others, I also chose to have him not possess any DB. It's not like I was just being lazy, all right? Well, to be honest, around the time these guys first came out, there had been so many different DB all over the place, I was having a bit of writer's block with that. Seriously. I'm not too smart.
I often get sharp commentary from the readers about the DB, too. "That's just way too convenient!" Haha. Seriously, I do get a lot of these... I'll be sure to plan things out better for the next (??) series.

PALACE GUARDIAN:
RACAS, THE COUNTERATTACKER

WEAPON: DB (RHYTHM COUNTER)
BIRTHDAY / AGE: FEBRUARY 28, 0041 / 25YO
HEIGHT / WEIGHT / BLOOD TYPE:
185CM / 78KG / UNKNOWN
BIRTHPLACE: UNDERWORLD - NORWAN TOWN
INTERESTS / HOBBIES: COLLECTING MUSIC
SPECIAL TALENT: MARACAS, DANCING
LIKES: THE CAPTAIN
HATES: GARBAGE

I made this guy up to help break the way-too-serious tone that has plagued the story since we got to Din Tower. Honestly, this guy's a moron. Of course, his name comes from "maracas." In other words, no thought involved in this one. Speaking of, I've gotten letters from people who have stumbled upon a pattern. If you add "ma" to the beginning of all the names of the demonoids, their names turn into words that are connected to them:

Gnet -> Magnet

Zahnstupa -> Mazahnstupa (Mothership) -> Submarine!

Stinpan -> Mastinpan (Machinegun)

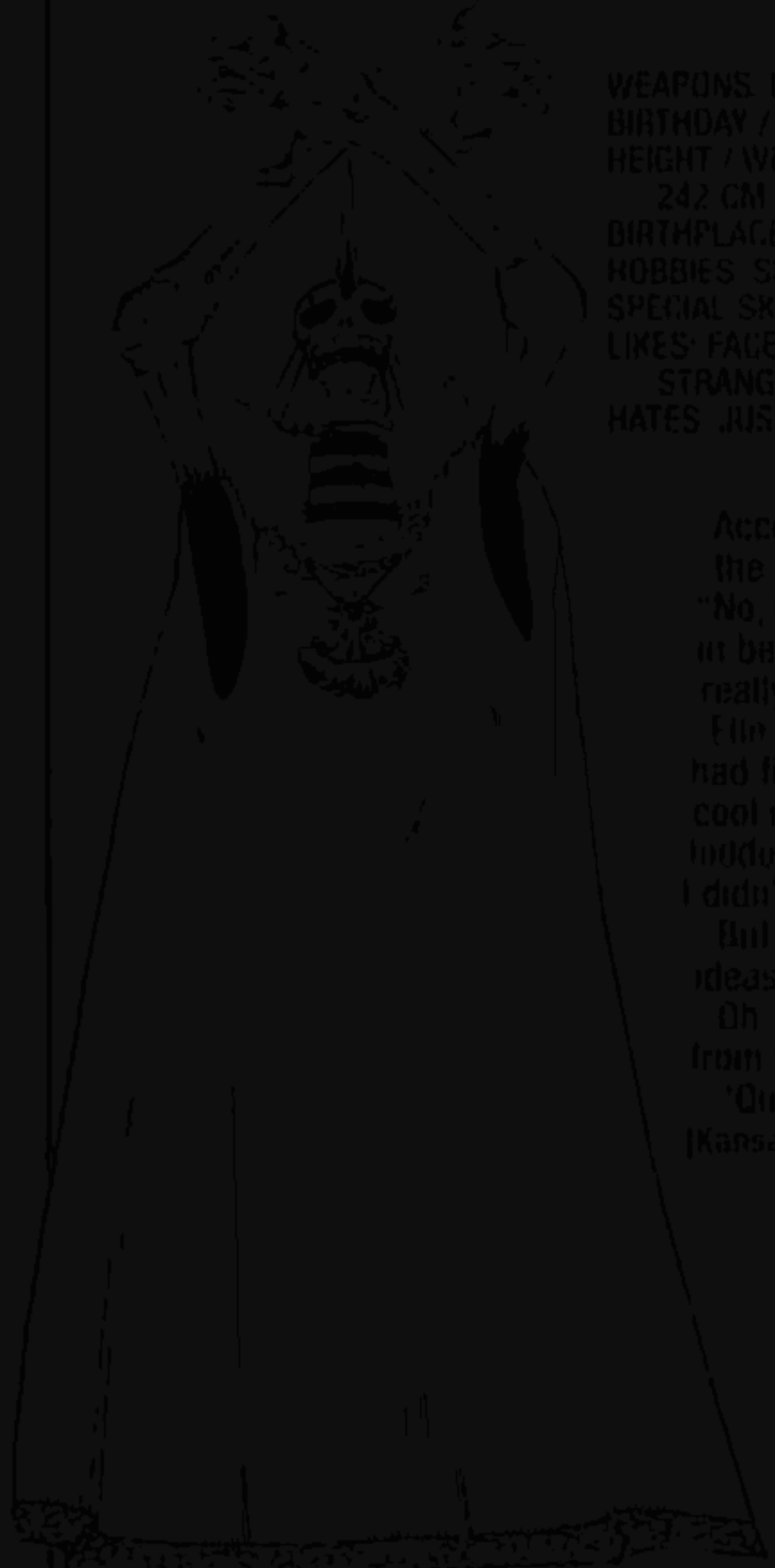
Lbangle -> Ma(u)lbangle

Rinette -> Marionette

Let -> Malet (Mallet)

Roi Glace -> Maron Glace (chestnut (maron) sweets...)

PALACE GUARDIAN:
RIONETTE, THE SHADOW MASTER



WEAPONS: DARK BRING (SHADOW DOLL)
BIRTHDAY / AGE: JULY 2, 9968 / 98
HEIGHT / WEIGHT / BLOOD TYPE:
242 CM / 205 KG UNKNOWN
BIRTHPLACE: UNDERWORLD - VESTA VILLAGE
HOBBIES: SHADOW PUPPETRY
SPECIAL SKILLS: MARIONETTES
LIKES: FACES OF HUMANS IN PAIN,
STRANGE ANIMALS
HATES: JUSTICE

According to the captain, he is the "most cruel" of the bunch. "No, he ain't!!" Well, he got done in before he had a chance to get really mean. I just really wanted Ellie and Plue and Griff to win. I had first imagined him with more cool moves and stuff, with things hidden under his clothes. Too bad I didn't have a chance to use it all. But I guess I can use all those ideas for other guys too (laughs). Oh, that reminds me, a person from western Japan yelled at me, "Quit using western Japanese (Kansai-ben/dialect) for your jokes." (Sorry, I did it again).

PALACE GUARDIAN: RON GLACE

WEAPONS: OAKA BRING
(NEEDLE PAIN)
BIRTHDAY / AGE:
NOVEMBER 9, 0064 / ?
HEIGHT / WEIGHT / BLOOD TYPE:
271 CM / 270 KG / UNKNOWN
BIRTHPLACE:
UNDERWORLD - BROSSA TOWN
HOBBIES:
COLLECTING STICKERS
SPECIAL SKILLS:
DEFENSIVE ABILITY
LIKES: BREAKING THINGS
HATES: BEING PATIENT

Weeeeeeeeeaaaaaaankkkkk!! Despite his appearance, this guy's a real wimp!! Oh well! who cares? Just like the other Palace Guardians, I was trying to think of a back story for him, like "he is really this xxx," and what I came up with was My-Botsu (I made up the new verb, botsuru). Mmhmm. There are a lot of times when I put a lot of thought into the names, and then when it comes time to decide, I just throw out some name that doesn't mean anything. But I'd sure love to think of some cooler stories and stuff.

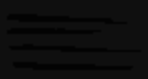
If I can, I'll have profiles for King, Gale, Sokasido, Rami, and Clea in the next volume.

Artist's Tools Page

I'VE HAD LOTS OF PEOPLE ASKING ME WHAT KINDS OF TOOLS I USE WHEN I DRAW COMIC SO HERE'S MY ANSWER

- NORMAL G PEN

- SOMETHING CALLED A ROUND PEN



- PILOT PEN (FOR DRAFTING)

- MONO ERASER

- KAIMEI INDIA INK

- BRUSH PEN (PILOT)

- DOCTOR MARTIN'S

- SIGMA PENS

- ZEBRA MARKERS

- COPIC MARKERS

- SCREEN TONE

RAVE0077 Levin Sits Watch

DON'T YOU TALK!
MAYBE IT'S NOT REALLY A PLANT AT ALL
STOP IT
AAH!
STOP IT
OUT PLANT IS WEIRDO STUFF N PEOPLE ARDS IN... YA!
I FORGOT I HAD PLANTED SOME SEEDS JUST HERE
STOP IT
WHAAAAAAAT?!
I JUST REMEMBERED THAT'S MY CHILD!

Art a la Rave SPECIAL 2

Haru & Plue celebrity fan art, courtesy of Rando Ayamine, artist of

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STORY INTRO

"OUR MOTTO IS "IF SOMEONE TAKES IT, TAKE IT BACK." WE'RE AN INVINCIBLE DUO, BAN MIDO AND GINJI AMANO. WE'RE THE GETBACKERS, WITH ALMOST A 100% SUCCESS RATE!" NOW AVAILABLE IN AMERICA TOO!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO DRAW THIS PICTURE FOR ME. I ACTUALLY MET AYAMINE-SENSEI AT A CERTAIN PARTY RIGHT ABOUT THE TIME MY SERIES STARTED GETTING PUBLISHED. BOY, AYAMINE-SENSEI, YOU ARE AN AMAZING ARTIST! I SAID THIS IN VOLUME 4 TOO, BUT THIS SURE IS GOOD INSPIRATION FOR ME. EVERY TIME I GET THESE AMAZING ILLUSTRATIONS, SO I FEEL A BIT BAD ABOUT MAKING THE ARTISTS WORK SO HARD FOR THIS. SPEAKING OF WHICH, RECENTLY, AS PART OF SOMETHING PUT ON BY MY PUBLISHER, I HAD A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH AYAMINE-SENSEI, AS WELL AS KAMIJYO-SENSEI, WHO CONTRIBUTED AN ILLUSTRATION TO THE LAST VOLUME. IT WAS AT A GET-TOGETHER FOR A COLLABORATIVE WORK OF GB+KYO+RAVE (NOT THAT THEY NEED RAVE OR ANYTHING TO MAKE IT GO). I COULD TELL BOTH OF THESE GREAT ARTISTS ARE REALLY PASSIONATE ABOUT THEIR WORK. WELL, I'M THAT WAY TOO, BUT YOU KNOW, I WAS JUST REAL HAPPY, THINKING HOW MUCH I LOVE COMICS. AYAMINE-SENSEI, KAMIJO-SENSEI, LET'S HANG OUT TOGETHER SOMETIME!!

Afterwords

BOY WAS THAT OPENING ILLUSTRATION FOR CHAPTER 57 (THE BALL WHERE EVERYONE'S DANCING) A TOUGH ONE!!

YIPPEE! YES MASHIMA HERE HELLO SO EVERYONE WHAT DID YOU THINK- DID YOU LIKE THE DRAWING- IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE STORY BUT SOMETIMES I JUST GET IN THE MOOD TO DO SOMETHING REALLY HARD PRETTY WEIRD HUH? EVEN THOUGH I KNOW IT'LL BE REALLY HARD I JUST FEEL LIKE DOING IT ANYWAY. WITH LOTS OF LITTLE DETAILS AND STUFF AND THANKS TO THAT I ENDED UP FINISHING MY STORY COMPLETION A DAY LATER THAN NORMAL AND SOMETIMES JUST GET AN ITCH TO DRAW BG CROWD SCENES TOO. WITH LOTS OF PEOPLE WALKING EVERYWHERE AND WHEN I'M CLOSE TO MISSING A DEADLINE JUST GET MY ASSISTANT(S) TO FINISH FOR ME. HMM YOU MAY BE THINKING THAT IF I HAVE ENOUGH FREE TIME FOR THESE COMPLICATED ILLUSTRATIONS I SHOULD SPEND MORE TIME ON THE COMIC ITSELF BUT BELIEVE ME, I SPEND PLENTY OF TIME MAKING THIS THE BEST COMIC I CAN MAKE IT (LAUGHS) I GUESS IT'S MY OWN WAY OF RELAXING (LAUGHS) SURE IT'S TOUGH BUT IT'S MY OWN WEIRD RELAXATION TECHNIQUE.

THAT REMINDS ME RECENTLY MY CONTACT TOLD ME "YOUR ART'S BEEN GETTING BETTER LATELY COMPARED TO BEFORE." SO I WENT BACK AND LOOKED AT SOME OF MY EARLIER WORK. YES, BACK IN VOLUME 1 I HAD SOME PRETTY HORRIBLE ART LOOKING BACK ON IT NOW I JUST SLAMMED IT SHUT NOW I'M THINKING I'M STARTING TO IMPROVE AND ALL BUT KNOW I STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO GOTTA WORK HARDER I'M AIMING FOR A 100 IN MY ART BUT I'D ONLY GIVE MY VOLUME 1 A SCORE OF 1 I THINK I'M AT ABOUT A TWO RIGHT NOW IMPROVING ONE POINT A YEAR. MAKES ME A LITTLE FAINTHEARTED TO THINK ABOUT THAT BUT WITH THAT FORMULA, I'LL ONLY NEED ANOTHER 98 YEARS TO MAX OUT MY PICTURE POWER (MY NEW WORD). SO THAT MEANS I'LL BE ABOUT 121 YEARS OLD IN OTHER WORDS, I PLAN ON SPENDING MY WHOLE LIFE IMPROVING MY CRAFT. YUP! NOT BAD. MY NEXT GOAL IS A PICTURE POWER RANKING OF THREE! JUST SO YOU KNOW THIS IS A PERSONAL STANDARD SO I DON'T JUDGE OTHERS' WORK WITH THIS SCALE. SO ALL YOU ASPIRING ARTISTS OUT THERE! DECIDE YOUR OWN IDEAL PICTURE POWER GOAL, DRAW OUT YOUR PICTURE-POWER POTENTIAL, AND DEVOTE YOUR LIFE TO IT!!

HIRO MASHIMA AT 121 YEARS OLD

Hiro Mashima

Mashima-san was born in Nagano, Japan on May 8, 1977. He created RAVE for WEEKLY SHONEN MAGAZINE in 1998 when he was just 21 years old, and in 4 short years the series has already spawned 18 volumes, 3 guide books, a hit anime series, 2 console video games, gobs o' merchandise, and has been licensed in all kinds of countries around the world. Mashima-san is quite fond of his hair (he cuts it himself and constantly changes its color), he hates caterpillars (don't ask why) and any that get in his path are just asking to be squashed. Oh yeah, and his blood type is B.

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